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Punjab farmers postpone Rail Roko

CHANDIGARH: Farmer unions in Punjab on Friday decided to postpone their 'Rail Roko' (train blockade) agitation, as they have issued a three-day ultimatum to the government over the procurement crisis.
The decision comes after a strategic meeting of the Kisan Mazdoor Morcha (KMM) and the Samyukta Kisan Morcha (Non-Political), where leaders agreed to grant a brief window to the state and central governments to address the mounting crisis in grain markets.
Farmer leader Sarwan Singh Pandher announced that while the plan to block tracks across 18 districts has been temporarily shelved, the unions remain on high alert regarding the sluggish pace of wheat procurement and lifting.

Rupee rises 29 paise to settle at 92.85 against US dollar

MUMBAI: The rupee appreciated by 29 paise to settle at 92.85 (provisional) against the US dollar on Friday, buoyed by a weakening American currency and retreating crude oil prices amid increasing hopes of easing geopolitical tensions.
Renewed buying in domestic equity markets and fresh inflow of foreign funds also supported the local currency, forex traders said.
At the interbank foreign exchange market, the rupee opened at 92.93 and touched an intraday high of 92.65 against the greenback. The unit also touched the day's low of 92.98 before ending the session at 92.85 (provisional) against the American currency, up 29 paise from the previous closing level.

Over 1.7 million registered for Char Dham Yatra

DEHRADUN: With the sacred Char Dham Yatra set to commence on April 23, the Uttarakhand government has announced that all logistical and security preparations are complete. Following high-level inspections and review meetings, officials are reporting record-breaking interest from devotees across the globe.
Tourism Minister Satpal Maharaj revealed that registrations have already neared the 1.8 million mark. In a detailed breakdown provided to ANI, the Minister highlighted the significant draw of the "Abode of the Gods."Registrations for the yatra are as follows: Yamunotri - 3,70,295, Gangotri - 3,16,006, Kedarnath - 6,19,959, Badrinath - 5,27,227, and Hemkund Sahib - 17,171, totalling 17,87,658 pilgrims," he said.He specifically addressed potential logistical concerns, assuring pilgrims that essential services, including cooking gas and food supplies, have been secured for the duration of the pilgrimage.

Women's reservation Bill defeated in Lok Sabha

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A Constitution Amendment Bill to implement reservation for women in legislatures in 2029 and increase the number of seats of the Lok Sabha was defeated on Friday in the Lower House.

While 298 members voted in support of the Bill, 230 MPs voted against it. Out of 528 members who voted, the Bill required 352 votes for a two-thirds majority.

According to the Constitution Amendment Bill, Lok Sabha seats were to be increased to a maximum of 850 from the current 543 to "operationalise" the women's reservation law before the 2029 parliamentary polls, following a delimitation exercise based on the 2011 Census.

The Constitution (131st Amendment) Amendment Bill did not pass as it did not achieve a 2/3 majority during voting in the House," he said. Lok Sabha on Friday resumed discussion on the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirty-First Amendment) Bill, 2026, the Union Territories Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026, and the Delimitation Bill, 2026.After the Lok Sabha did not pass the Constitution Amendment Bill, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said the government had no intention to pursue the two other bills. While motions for the introduction of Constitution Amendment Bills are adopted by simple majority, a majority of the total membership of the House.

Attempt to change India's electoral map : Rahul Gandhi

NEW DELHI: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday slammed the government over the Delimitation Bill, which is among the legislations to implement women's reservation from the 2029 Lok Sabha polls, and said it has "nothing to do with the empowerment of women" and is an "attempt to change the electoral map of India."Taking part in the debate in the Lok Sabha on the three bills aimed to implement the women's quota from the 2029 general elections, Rahul Gandhi said it is an "attempt to bypass the caste census"."The first truth is that this is not a women's bill. This has nothing to do with the empowerment of women. This is an attempt to change the electoral map of India. Actually, it is a shameful act," he said."What is being attempted here is a bypass of the caste census. What they are trying to do is they are trying to avoid giving power, giving representation to my OBC brothers and sisters, and take away from them...the point is not that, but the point is that whether the caste census is going to be used for representation in Parliament, Vidhan Sabha.

ED raids Minister Sanjeev Arora, CM Mann says democracy being 'murdered'

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The Enforcement Directorate's (ED) multi-city raids on Punjab Cabinet Minister Sanjeev Arora and his business partners have triggered a massive political firestorm, with leaders from AAP and BJP trading sharp allegations.

As the search operations concluded at various premises in Ludhiana, Jalandhar, and Gurugram, the discourse shifted from administrative investigation to a high-stakes political battle ahead of the 2027 assembly elections.

Punjab CM Bhagwant Singh Mann called out the BJP for using central agencies to begin its Punjab election campaign, saying a party unable to find 117 candidates is trying to spread fear instead of winning public support.

The Chief Minister emphasised that opposition governments are being harassed through blocked funds, Governors, ED, CBI and the Election Commission, while leaders joining the BJP emerged clean from its 'washing machine'. He said AAP would not be intimidated, asserting that Punjabis may lose their heads but would never bow in fear, and told the BJP to prepare for 2027 by



working among the people instead of relying on raids and pressure tactics.

Addressing a press conference, CM Bhagwant Singh Mann stated, "Our country is called the biggest democracy in the world, the world's largest democracy. Here, people elect the government of their choice. It is the duty of the central government to give every state what is rightfully theirs, above politics and above party lines. But for some time now, we have been seeing that democracy is slowly being strangled. All non BJP governments are being troubled, either directly by stopping funds from the Centre or through Governors in one way or another."

Targeting the BJP, CM Bhagwant Singh Mann said, "The AAP has been specially targeted because it is a party that is growing very rapidly. It has become a national party in barely ten years. BJP thinks they can handle Congress, and they have also been hand in glove with Congress at times, but they do not want a third force to emerge."

He pointed out, "In this process, they filed fake ED cases against our leaders in Delhi like in the so-called liquor scam case. Our senior leaders were sent to jail. Arvind Kejriwal, a sitting Chief Minister was jailed, along with Deputy CM Manish Sisodia.

MP Amritpal Singh to remain in Dibrugarh Jail

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The Punjab and Haryana High Court on Friday issued an interim order confirming that Amritpal Singh, Member of Parliament from Khadoor Sahib, will not be shifted back to Punjab and will continue to be lodged at the Dibrugarh Central Jail in Assam.

The court ruled that the trial for all pending cases against the radical leader will be conducted from the Assam facility.

This development comes as the detention period under the National Security Act (NSA) is set to expire on April 22, with the Punjab government deciding not to extend the stringent act further.

Despite the withdrawal of NSA charges, the Punjab government moved an appeal before the High Court seeking to keep Singh in Dibrugarh Jail.

The state administration argued that his physical presence in Punjab could potentially destabilize the law and order situation. The government clarified that while the NSA detention is ending, legal proceedings in 12 other criminal cases registered against Singh will continue, and the trials will proceed while he remains in judicial custody in Assam.

Allahabad HC orders FIR against Rahul Gandhi in dual citizenship case

LUCKNOW: The Lucknow Bench of the Allahabad High Court has directed the registration of an FIR against Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in connection with allegations related to dual citizenship.
The order came during a hearing on Friday in a petition challenging a lower court's earlier decision that had refused to direct police to file an FIR. The case pertains to claims that Gandhi may have held or been associated with foreign citizenship-related records.
The petition has been filed as a criminal application challenging the January 28, 2026 order of a Special MP-MLA Magistrate court, which had declined to instruct the Kotwali police station in Raebareli to register an FIR. The High Court has now overturned that decision and directed that an FIR be lodged.
This is the first time the matter has been heard in detail at this level before the Lucknow Bench. During the proceedings, the Ministry of Home Affairs formally presented its position.
The bench headed by Justice Subhash Vidyarthi, instructed the Foreigners Division of the ministry to submit all relevant documents, which were subsequently placed before it.
The petitioner, Vignesh Shishir, claimed to have submitted documentary evidence suggesting that Gandhi was listed as a voter in the United Kingdom and may have participated in elections there. According to the petitioner, these records raise serious questions regarding his citizenship status.

Haryana extends deadline for registration under trader welfare schemes till May 31

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In a significant step towards strengthening the business ecosystem and providing social security to traders and the industrial community, the Haryana Government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Sh. Nayab Singh Saini has introduced key welfare initiatives for traders and extended the last date for registration under these schemes to May 31, 2026.

The State Government has operationalized two major schemes — the Chief Minister Traders Group Personal Accident Insurance Scheme and the Chief Minister Traders Compensation Scheme — aimed at providing financial protection and support to registered traders in case of unforeseen events.

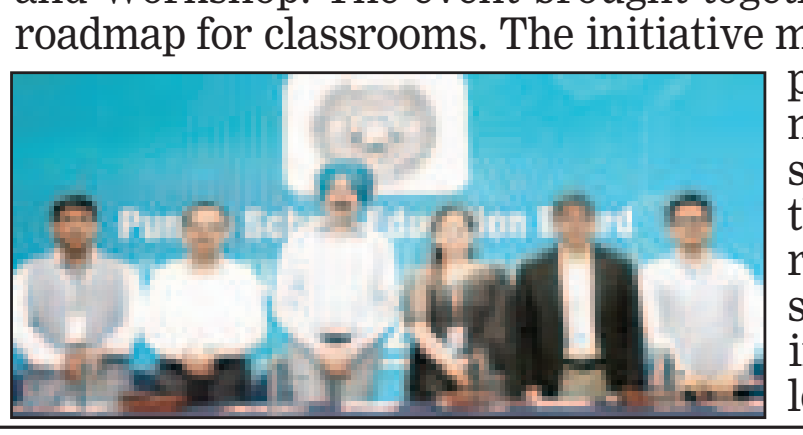
Under the Chief Minister Traders Group Personal Accident Insurance Scheme, traders will be provided financial assistance of 5 lakh in case of loss of life or permanent disability due to an accident. The scheme offers affordable coverage with a nominal registration fee of 50, and applications can be submitted through an online portal.

Under the Chief Minister Traders Compensation Scheme, financial assistance will be provided to compensate for losses incurred by traders due to incidents such as fire or natural disasters that result in damage to stock. Registered traders will receive compensation based on their annual turnover, ranging from 5 lakh to 20 lakh, through the Haryana Government Security Trust.



Bains lauds PSEB's push to modernise school learning, says AI will transform classrooms

CHANDIGARH (SUMER GARG): Punjab has taken a decisive step towards embedding Artificial Intelligence (AI) at the core of its school education system, with the Punjab School Education Board (PSEB) hosting a national-level AI Conference and Workshop. The event brought together policymakers, industry leaders, and academicians to chart a future-ready roadmap for classrooms. The initiative marks a structural shift in reimagining education in the state, with a strong emphasis on aligning learning outcomes with the demands of a rapidly evolving, technology-driven global economy. Punjab Education Minister Harjot Singh Bains described the conference as a forward-looking intervention aimed at transforming the education ecosystem. He asserted that the integration of AI will play a crucial role in driving education reforms. "The integration of Artificial Intelligence will significantly contribute to quality improvement, innovation, and modernisation in education. It will ensure that students are better prepared to meet global challenges in a technology-driven world," he said.



CS inaugurates upgraded swimming pool facilities at Lake Sports Complex and Sector 39



CHANDIGARH: H. Rajesh Prasad, IAS, Chief Secretary, UT Chandigarh, today inaugurated the upgraded swimming pool facilities at the Lake Sports Complex, Sector 6, and the All-Weather Swimming Pool at Sports Complex, Sector 39, Chandigarh.Present on the occasion were Sh. Sagar Preet Hooda, IPS, Director General of Police, UT Chandigarh; Ms. Prerna Puri, IAS, Secretary Sports; Sh. Saurabh Arora, Director Sports; Sh. Rajiv Tewari, Director Hospitality; Sh. C B Ojha, Chief Engineer and other senior officers of the Chandigarh Administration.The upgradation work of the swimming pools at the Lake Sports Complex was undertaken by the Engineering Department, UT Chandigarh, in coordination with the Sports Department. The project was completed within a period of four months during the winter closure (December to March), and the facility is now ready for public use.Lake Sports Complex Swimming Pools (Sector 6)* Main Pool: Capacity of approximately 8.00 lakh litres with variable depth ranging from 4'-6" to 14'-0"* Kiddy Pool: Capacity of approximately 1.00 lakh litres with an average depth of 3'-6"The facility is equipped with a modern filtration plant to ensure high water quality, along with upgraded changing rooms, shower areas, and washrooms. Being an open-to-sky facility, the pools will remain operational during the summer season from April to October.A toughened glass partition has been installed along the lake-facing side to prevent unauthorized access while maintaining the scenic view. Additionally, a waterfall feature has been incorporated in the kiddy pool to enhance aesthetics and improve water circulation.All-Weather Swimming Pool, Sector 39The All-Weather Swimming Pool at Sports Complex, Sector 39, has been upgraded with the installation, testing, and commissioning of a modern heating system, enabling year-round usage of the facility.This swimming pool, which was initially made operational on 05 November 2019, has now been fully upgraded with the completion of the heating system on 06.02.2026.

Classified

I Rohit Kumar s/o Narinder Kumar, Ward No 11, Deep Colony, Garhshankar, District Hoshiarpur, Pin 144527, Punjab have changed my name from Rohit Kumar to Kumar Rohit.

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I Ashok Kumar Gupta S/o Prem Chand R/o Ward No. 5, Red Road, Ladwa, distt. Kurukshetra have changed my name Ashok Kumar Gupta to Ashok Kumar

98765

I, Shammi Narula D/o Sh. Roshan Lal R/o H. no-93/1488, Baldev Nagar, Ambala City, Distt Ambala, Haryana-134007 have changed my name from Shammi Rani to Shammi Narula.

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ਮੈਂ ਗੰਗਾ ਰਾਮ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਛੋਟੂ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਰਾਮਾਂ ਮੰਡੀ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਤਲਵੰਡੀ ਸਾਬੋ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਹਲਫ ਨਾਲ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੀ ਲੜਕੀ ਚੈਰੀ(20) ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੀ ਲੜਕੀ ਚੈਰੀ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ (ਸੰਪਤੀ) ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾਂ ਹਾਂ। ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜੁੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਤੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀ ਹੈ।

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ਮੈਂ ਪ੍ਰਭਾ ਰਾਣੀ ਪਤਨੀ ਲੇਟ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਵਿਜੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 1250/9 ਗਲੀ ਨੰਬਰ 7 ਗਲੀ ਹਾਕਿਮ ਤਾਈ, ਗੇਟ ਹਕੀਮਾਂ, ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ ਅਮਿਤ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਵਾ ਮੇਰੀ ਨੂੰਹ ਕੋਮਲ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਸੰਪਤੀ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਅੱਜ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਮੇਰਾ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਸੰਬੰਧ ਨਹੀਂ, ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁੱਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ ਮੈਂ ਨਹੀਂ।

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ਮੈਂ ਦੀਕਸ਼ਾ ਪਤਨੀ ਰਾਕੇਸ਼ ਕੁਮਾਰ, ਵਾਸੀ ਸਜਨੀ ਮੋਹੱਲਾ ,ਹਾਜੀਪੁਰ, ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਹੁਸ਼ਿਆਰਪੁਰ ਇਹ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਕਾਰਤਿਕ ਗੌਤਮ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ । ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖ਼ਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਉਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ । ਸੰਬੰਧਿਤ ਨੋਟ ਕਰਨ।

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ਮੈਂ ਜਸਵਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਰਾਮ ਵਾਸੀ ਤੇ ਡਾਕਖਾਨਾ ਜੰਡੋਲੀ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਗੜ੍ਹਸ਼ੰਕਰ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਹੁਸ਼ਿਆਰਪੁਰ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦੀ ਆ ਕਿ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਦੋਹਤੇ ਹਰਮਨਪ੍ਰੀਤ 26 ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮੈਂ ਆਪਣੇ ਦੋਹਤੇ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੀ ਹਾਂ। ਇਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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ਮੈਂ ਨਿਰਮਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਕਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਹਾਊਸ ਨੰ. 127 ਸੈਕਟਰ-13 ਖਰੜ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ. ਨਗਰ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਭੁਪਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਤੇ ਮੇਰੀ ਨੂੰਹ ਸੰਦਿਆ ਦੇਵੀ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈਂ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਮੇਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I, Bimali Kaur W/o Shingara Singh, Village Ranike (Sangrur) known with two names i.e. Bimali Kaur and Gurjit Kaur. Both names are mine. I am known with the above two names.

98724

I, Aarti W/o Ram Lakhan R/o 1308, Sector 31-B Chandigarh have changed my minor daughter from Pari to Nikita.

989666

I Aarti @ Arshi D/o Sb. Matru resident of H.No.636, Main Bazar Kalka Tehsil Kalka Distt. Panchkula Haryana have changed my name from Aarti to Arshi.That my name may be recognized as Arshi in future.

989666

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I, No. JC 482505N Rank Sub, Name Mahaveer Prasad of (Unit) 21 Rajput C/O 56 APO, Resident of Gurjaro Ki Dhani, Barwasi, District Jhunjhunun, State Rajasthan 333042. Hereby declare that I have changed my son's name From VIRENDER SINGH GURJAR To VIRENDRA SINGH GURJAR. Due to wrongly entered in my service record. Both names Pertains to one and the same person. Vide Affidavit No. IN-PB41028527061696Y Dated 17.04.2026 Attested by Notary Public (GOVT OF INDIA) Kindly Correct it.

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ਮੈਂ ਪੂਨਮ ਪਤਨੀ ਬਿਕਰਮਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਬਜਰਾਵਰ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਅਤੇ ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਹੁਸ਼ਿਆਰਪੁਰ ਦਾ ਆਪਣੇ ਭਰਾ ਮਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਭੋਲਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ ਸੇਲਬਾ ਮਜਾਰੀ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਰੋਪੜ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਸਬੰਧ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ। ਉਸ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਉਸ ਦੀ ਚੰਗੀ ਮੰਦੀ ਦਾ ਉਹ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I Tamana Rani Bains D/O Jatinder kumar R/O #45,Himmat Nagar,Ward no.8, Samrala (Ludhiana) declared that my father Jatinder Kumar and Jatinder kumar Bains those names are mine.

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I, Surinder Kaur W/o Late: Bhinder Singh R/o H.No. 96 Jujhar Singh Nagar W.No. 5 Sangrur Teh & Distt. Sangrur declare that my son Gurdeep Singh and his wife Gurmeet Kaur is out of my control. So I disown with them from my moveable / immoveable property. If anybody dealing with them at his/her own risk.

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ਅਸੀ ਸੁਖ ਚਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਜਮੇਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾ ਕੁਲਦੀਪ ਕੌਰ ਪਤਨੀ ਸੁਖ ਚਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀਆਨ 1532/1 ਮੋਰੀਗੇਟ ਮਨੀਮਾਜਰਾ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਸਾਡਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਸੁਖਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਡੀ ਨੂੰਹ ਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਡਾ ਪੋਤਾ ਗੁਰਬਾਜ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਸਾਡੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਅਸੀ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅਚੱਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦੇ ਹਾਂ। ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ। ਸਾਡਾ ਜਾਂ ਸਾਡੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦਾ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਤਾਲੁਕ ਵਾ ਵਾਸਤਾ ਨਹੀ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

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I, Naresh Kumar, S/O Prem Sagar, R/O House No. 116/117, Bazaar No. 6, Ferozepur Cantt, hereby inform that in the school certificates of my daughter Mannat Pawar, her name is wrongly written as Mannat, whereas her correct name is Mannat Pawar, Concerned note.

900011

I, Ramesh Kumar S/o Mani Ram R/o H.No.649/5, Ward No. 15, Ram Ganj Mohalla, Near Kanhi Ram Eye Hospital, Bhiwani, Haryana 127021 have changed my minor son name from First baby of Kavita Rani to Sarthak Saini.

989752

I Punita Tuli W/o Vipan Tuli D/o Shakti Swarup Malhotra, R/o H.no. 187, Near C.T. Public School, Greater Kailash, Jalandhar, PB-144001 have changed my name from Kumari Punita Tuli to Punita Tuli. All concerned may note.

900026

I Hartej Singh S/o Ram Singh R/o House No-B-XIV/1001, Akal Garh Basti, Street no 5, Ward no 11, Barnala. I Have Changed my name to Hartej Singh Sidhu.

50008

I Dharamvir Singh S/o Kehar Singh R/o House No 56,Mohalla Fatehpur,Ward No 4,Kurali,SAS Nagar Have Changed My Name To Dharmvir (Singh) As A Surname

666554

I, Yuvraj Singh Sodhi S/o Ashwani Singh Sodhi R/o House No. 553, Urban Estate, Kapurthala, Punjab-144601 have changed my name from Yuvraj Singh Sodhi to Yuvraj Singh Pannu. All concerned please note.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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63372

I, Sukhdeep Kaur Brar W/o Sukhwinder Singh R/o Tharaj, Dist. Moga Punjab 142057 having change my name Sukhdeep Kaur W/o Sukhwinder Singh. Concerned note please.

63372

I Surjit S/o Kewal Krishan R/o Muhalla Sarafa, Rahon Teh-Nawanshahr Distt SBS Nagar-144517 Pb India, have changed name from Surjit to Surjit Khuttan.

63372

I, hitherto known as Gabbar Singh Brar S/o Harpal Singh R/o Vpo. Khai, Teh-Nihal Singh Wala, Distt-Moga, Punjab-142046 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Gabbar Singh.

63372

I, Jasvir Singh Sran S/o Mukand Singh R/o Moom Distt. Barnala have changed my name to Jasvir Singh.

63372

I, Mahinder Kaur W/o Surinder Singh R/o Vpo. Sidhwan Kalan Teh-Jagraon (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Mohinderjit Kaur.

63372

I, Ramandip Kaur W/o Taranjit Singh R/o Ward No.2 Khem Karan Tehsil Patti District Tarn Taran have changed my name from Ramandip Kaur to Ramandip as my Given Name and Kaur as my Surname.

63372

I, Vishant S/o Vijay Kumar R/o 114/16 ITBP Camp Sector 32-A Chandigarh have changed my name from Vishant to Vishant Chauhan.

63372

I, Sanjay Kumar Sonkar S/o Nand Lal Sonkar R/o H.No. 1078/13 St.No. 02 Parwana Nagar Moga have changed my name from Sanjay Kumar Sonkar to Sanjay Kumar.

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I, Kiran Bala W/O Lakhveer Singh Bains R/O VPO Sakruli Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India, have changed my name from Kiran Bala to Kiran Bala Bains.

63372

I, Lakhveer Singh S/O Chain Singh R/O VPO Sakruli Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India, have changed my name from Lakhveer Singh to Lakhveer Singh Bains.

63372

I, Kiran Bala Bains W/O Lakhveer Singh Bains R/O VPO Sakruli Tehsil Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India, have changed my minor son's name from Manavpreet Singh to Manavpreet Singh Bains.

63372

I, Karmjeet Singh S/o Balvir Singh R/o Khassi Kalan, Ludhiana Punjab-141005 declare that I have change my name from Karamjeet Singh to Karmjeet Singh.

63372

I hitherto known as Kapal Dev Dhunna S/o Sham Lal Verma R/o H. No. 32, Raj Nagar, Basti Bawa Khel, Jalandhar, Punjab - 144021 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Kapal Dev Verma.

63372

I, Sukhminderpal Singh S/o Jagdev Singh Sodhi R/o H.No. 1431 Sector 42-B Chandigarh have changed my name from Sukhminderpal Singh to Sukhminderpal Singh Sodhi.

63372

I Bhupinder Kaur Saini W/o S. Gurmeet Singh R/o H.No.124, W.No.9, Kurali, Distt SAS Nagar Punjab have changed my name to Bhupinder Kaur for all future purposes.

63372

I, Harjit Kaur S/o Ajmer Singh R/o Vill. Bal, Po. Bal Purian, Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur, Punjab-143505. I have changed my name from Harjeet Kaur to Harjit Kaur.

63372

LOST & FOUND

I Tarun Kumar S/o Sh Inder Jeet Kumar R/o H.no E.G 3001/6 Kamal Vihar, Bashirpura, Ladowali Road, Jalandhar declare that Sale Deed of House No 1067, Preet nagar, Ladowali Road, Jalandhar, PIN 144001 having Registered Sale Deed no 1600, Bahi No 1, Zild no 1067 dated 08-08-1952, Sub Registrar, Jalandhar in favour of Sh Bhagat Singh S/o Sh Kirpa Singh measuring 8 Marla, Khasra No 2482/9/1021/8 and 1022/3, 5960-5961, 5968 to 5974, 5983 to 5920 have actually been looted at Preet Nagar, Ladowali Road, Jalandhar on 08.04.2026 . I have lodged complaint in Police station, Navi Baradari, Jalandhar on 17.04.26 (GD No. 019). If anybody find this document, please contact our address. That the said Sale Deeds / Documents are not mortgaged in any court or Private organisation nor the same under any Loan from any Bank or Private Institution. Through this Public Notice, I inform that if anybody or any financial institution/s or any Bank/s have any information regarding lost of Sale Deed and also have any kind of Objection/s related to creation of Equitable mortgage of said Property, he/she may respond with in 7 days from the date of publication, after expiry of stipulated period no objection or claim whosoever would be entertained and it will be treated consent related to said transaction. Contact Tarun Kumar 98722-03199

900026

I, Gurbax Kaur W/o Jaswinder Singh R/o Vpo. Malpur Arkan Teh-Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar-144508 Pb, India, have changed my name from Gurbax Kaur to Davinder Kaur all concerned note please.

63372

I, Sharanjit Kaur W/o Malkit Kumar Lal R/o Golden Colony Near DAV School Mussapur Road Nawanshahr Distt. SBS Nagar have changed my name from Sharanjit Kaur to Kaur Sharanjit. Please note.

63372

I, Gurdeep Singh Kainth S/o Harbhajan Singh R/o H.No.321 Shastri Nagar Malerkotla Distt Malerkotla, have changed my name to Gurdeep Singh.

63372

I hitherto known as Kamaldeep Kaur W/o Avtar Singh R/o St.No.1, New Dharam Nagri, Abohar, Distt. Fazilka (Punjab) has changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Baljinder Kaur.

63372

I, Sachin S/o Kulvir Singh R/o Vill: Badshahpur Po.Muridwal Teh-Shahkot Distt. Jalandhar have changed my name from Sachin to Sachin Singh all concern noted.

63372

I Paramjit Singh S/o Balwant Singh R/o Ward No. 8, Mohalla Himat Nagar, Samrala, Tehsil Samrala, Distt Ludhiana changed my name Parmjit Singh.

63372

I Hardeep Kumar S/O Balram Singh Village Tajpura Tehsil Kharar District Mohali I Have Changed My Name To Hardeep Singh.

63372

I, Paramjeet Kaur W/o Sawarn Singh R/o Vpo. Mallhuwalie Wala Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur have changed my name to Parmjit Kaur.

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I, Swaran Singh S/o Teja Singh R/o Vpo. Mallhuwalie Wala Teh-Zira Distt. Ferozepur have changed my name to Sawarn Singh.

63372

LOST & FOUND

Original Sale Deed No 1205 dated 21.11.2016, executed by Baldev Singh in favour of Lavjot Bar regarding property 1 Kanal 18 Marlas comprised in Khasra No. 393/2/1(1-15),393/2/3(0-3) Situated at Nihal Singh wala, Moga is lost and currently owned by Kuldeep Singh and Gurdeep Singh not mortgaged with any bank or Financial Institution. In this regard DDR 708874/2026 dated 17/04/2026 has got registered. Anybody having objection with mortgage of property with ICICI Bank Bathinda may respond or raise objection within 14days, to Sh RP Singh, Advocate, Mob no: 75080-11581

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I Manjit Kaur / Manjinder Kaur W/O Sukhjinder Singh R/O Ghanaur Jattan Tehsil Sunam Have Changed My Name To Manjeet Kaur.

63372

I Sakuntla Devi W/o Surinder Kumar R/o Mahanta Wali Gali Moga Road Baghapurana Punjab 142038 I have Changed My Name Spelling Sakuntla Devi To Shakuntla Devi Please All Note.

63372

I, Sukhvir Kaur W/o Satnam Singh R/o VPO Hawara Kalan, Tehsil Khamano (Fatehgarh Sahib) declare that my minor daughter's name Upneet Kaur be read UPNEET as her given name and KAUR as her surname.

63372

I, Mohammad Aasif S/O Mohd Ishfaq R/O Mohalla Unchi Masjid Inside Sirhandi Gate, Malerkotla Tehsil & Distt: Malerkotla have changed my name from Mohammad Aasif to Mohd Aasif.

63372

I, Mohammad Ishfaq S/O Nisar Ahmd R/O Mohalla Unchi Masjid Inside Sirhandi Gate Malerkotla Tehsil & Distt: Malerkotla have changed my name from Mohammad Ishfaq to Mohd Ishfaq.

63372

I, Diksha Bindal D/o Palvinder Singh W/o Rohan Gupta R/o Kothi No. B005-00873/01 GTB Nagar Near Naina Floors Kharar Distt. Mohali have changed my name from Rajni Verma to Diksha Bindal.

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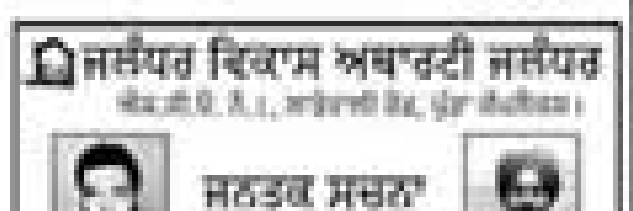
PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Kulwinder Kaur W/o Gurtej Singh R/o H.no. 191, Ward No.6, Siswan, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:- I became owner of Property measuring 0Kanal-9Marla, comprised in Khewat no.1948, Khatoni no.2209, Khasra no.65//4/6 (0-17), 5/3 (1-11), 6/1(0-11), 7/1(0-6), situated in revenue limits of Kurali, Hadbast no.121, Tehsil Kharar & District S.A.S Nagar, Mohali. It was purchased by me vide Sale deed no. 2024-25/15/1/3328 dated 22.05.2024 & its previous original sale deed no.42 dated 09.04.2001 was taken by me but the same has been lost by me & I have not misused the same. I am availing a loan from State Bank of India, Branch Morinda. If anyone having objections regarding this fact can approach the above said Bank within 15 days from today, to lodge claim.

(Deponent)

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ਜਲੰਧਰ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਜਲੰਧਰ



ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ

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900026

I Harpinder Singh alias Harbhinder S/o Mohan Singh R/o Gaunspura Distt Bathinda have two name of one person.

63372

I Shushma W/o Chandresh Kumar R/o B-1/214 Guru Ravi Dass Nagar, Maqsudan , Jalandhar 144008 Punjab , India have changed my name from Shushma To Sushma Sharma.

63372

I Pardeep Kaur Shergill C/o Talvinder Singh R/o Vpo Sangatpura Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana, Have changed my name to Pardeep Kaur.

63372

I Bhinder Kaur W/o Tarishan Singh Khera R/o Village Abbupura Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana Have changed my name to Bhinder Kaur Khera.

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I Gurpreet Singh Gogna S/o Darshan Singh R/o Vpo Jandi Tehsil Jagraon Distt Ludhiana Have changed my name to Gurpreet Singh.

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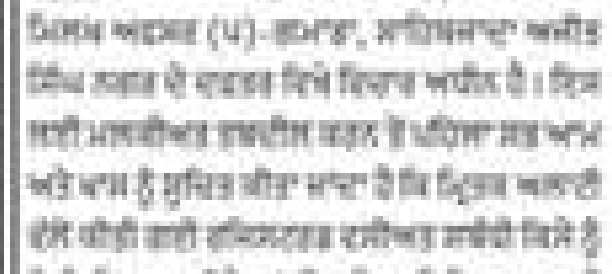
I Beant Kaur D/ojoginder Singh R/o Mcb Z-6 19091,kothe Bhaurian De,sivian Road, Bathinda Punjab 151001 Have Changed My Name Beant Kaur Sudhu To Beant Kaur.

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ਗਮਾਡਾ ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਏਰੀਆ ਡਿਵੈਲਪਮੈਂਟ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ



ਜਨਤਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ

Plot no. 408, Sector-78, S.A.S Nagar ਦੇ ਅਲਾਟੀ Karam Chand s/o Sh. Des Raj ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਮਿਤੀ 02-12-2011 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਸੀ। ਅਲਾਟੀ ਦੀ ਆਪਣੀ ਮੌਤ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ Plot no. 408, Sector-78, S.A.S Nagar ਲਈ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਵਸੀਅਤ Pushpa w/o Sh. Karam Chand and Ashwani Kumar s/o Sh. Karam Chand ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ (ਜੋ ਕਿ Vasika no. 608 Dated 19-07-2011 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਹੈ)।

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਦੇ ਅਧਾਰ ਤੇ Pushpa w/o Sh. Karam Chand and Ashwani Kumar s/o Sh. Karam Chand ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪਲਾਟ ਨੰ 408, ਸੈਕਟਰ 78, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਦਾ ਕੇਸ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ (ਆਈ.ਡੀ 459966 ਮਿਤੀ 13-10-2025)। ਇਹ ਕੇਸ ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ (ਪ)-ਗਮਾਡਾ, ਅਧਿਕਾਰਤ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਗਰ ਦੇ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਵਿਚੋਂ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਅਧੀਨ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਸਭ ਆਮ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਮ੍ਰਿਤਕ ਅਲਾਟੀ ਦੇ ਕੋਈ ਹੋਰ ਕਾਨੂੰਨੀ ਵਾਰਸ ਹੋਣ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਛਪਣ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਅੰਦਰ ਆਪਣਾ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ (ਪ) ਗਮਾਡਾ, ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ ਨਗਰ ਪਾਸ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਰੂਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਦੇ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਮਿੱਥੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਮੇਂ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਤੇ ਕੋਈ ਵਿਚਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ ਅਤੇ Karam Chand s/o Sh. Des Raj ਦੀ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ (ਪਲਾਟ ਨੰ. 408 ਸੈਕਟਰ 78, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ) ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਦੇ ਅਧਾਰ ਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਵਾਰਸਾਂ Pushpa w/o Sh. Karam Chand and Ashwani Kumar s/o Sh. Karam Chand ਨਾਮ ਮਲਕੀਅਤ ਤਬਦੀਲ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਮਿਲਖ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ (ਪ),
ਗਮਾਡਾ ਐਸ.ਏ.ਐਸ. ਨਗਰ।

Sant Attar Singh Akal Academy Mastuana Sahib holds award ceremony for students who come first in the religious examination



BARNALA (BALWINDER AZAD): The students who came first in the annual Gurmat examinations conducted by Satnam Sarb Kalyan Trust (Regd.) Chandigarh were honored at Sant Attar Singh Akal Academy Mastuana Sahib. On this occasion, Mrs. Manpreet Kaur, Gurmat teacher, warmly welcomed Mr. Bhinder Singh Ji, Program Manager and Mr. Sukhvir Singh Ji, Supervisor Sunam Zone, who came from the trust, to the academy. Mr. Bhinder Singh enlightened the children about Gurbani and praised the students who came first in the examinations and wished them well for the future. At the end of the ceremony, the Principal of the academy, Dr. Vijay Palaha, thanked the guests. Madam Annu Shorey, Parminder Kaur Khaira, Tejinder Kaur Gill and Harpreet Kaur Sidhu were also present on this occasion.

NEWS BRIEF

Let's make difference, don't get drug addiction: Romesh Mahajan National Awardee



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GURDASPUR: To motivate the students about I'll effects of drugs and the growing concern of drug abuse among the youth, the Red Cross Integrated and Rehabilitation Centre for Addicts Gurdaspur under the kind guidance and support of Sh. Shiv Dular Singh Dhillon IAS Retd., Secretary, Indian Red Cross Society, Punjab State branch, Chandigarh successfully organised a drug awareness and prevention lecture at Sukhjindera college of Nursing, Gurdaspur which is running under the kind control of Sh. Sukhjinder Singh Gill, Chairman. The students along with their teachers under the supervision of their HOD Mrs. Gurjeet Kaur attended this seminar which was so meaningful. This seminar aimed to sensitize students about the devastating physical, mental, and social consequences of drug addiction.
At this moment the team IRCA Gurdaspur delivered an insightful lecture explaining that drug addiction is a complex disease but can be cured with constant support, treatment, counseling etc. They highlighted the signs of drug abuse and the importance of early intervention and support systems. They also emphasized the need to protect the young generation from the menace of drugs, stressing its severe impact on mental health and also guide them about right decisions.

Angels World School sets benchmark with 100% pass result

SANJEEV TEJPAL

MORINDA: Angels World School, Morinda has once again demonstrated academic excellence with an outstanding performance in the CBSE Class X Board Examinations. The school achieved a remarkable 100% pass result, reflecting its commitment to quality education and holistic development. A total of 59 students appeared for the examination, and all of them passed successfully. Of these, 10 students secured above 90%, while another 10 students scored more than 80%, showcasing high academic standards. The remaining students also cleared the examination with commendable marks. Amritpal Singh emerged as the school topper with 97%, followed by Tanveer Kaur, who secured the second position with 96%. Tanveer Kaur secured the third position with 95.6%, while Sukhman Kaur stood fourth with 95%. Other students who scored above 90% include Anshveer Singh, Ridhima Bassi, Jasnoor Singh, Arjun Singh, Sahajpreet Kaur.



Mohinder Bhagat reviews progress of 'Rangla Punjab' development grants in SAS Nagar

SHASHI PAL JAIN
SAS NAGAR, APRIL 17



Cabinet Minister Sh. Mohinder Bhagat today reviewed the progress of development works being undertaken under the 'Rangla Punjab' Mission in Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar (SAS Nagar) district. The review meeting was attended by Chairman, Punjab Youth Development Board, Sh. Parminder Singh Goldy and Chairperson, District Planning Committee, Er. Prabhjot Kaur, along with senior district officials.

The Minister informed that a total of 174 infrastructure-related works are currently in progress across the district with an allocation of Rs 8.47 crore, aimed at strengthening rural infrastructure and improving public amenities. During the meeting, the Minister directed all concerned officials to ensure timely completion of these works, emphasizing quality and adherence to deadlines.

Deputy Commissioner Ms. Komal Mittal apprised that out of the total 174 works, 45 have already been completed. She further informed that an additional installment of Rs 2.5 crore each has been received for the three constituencies in the district.

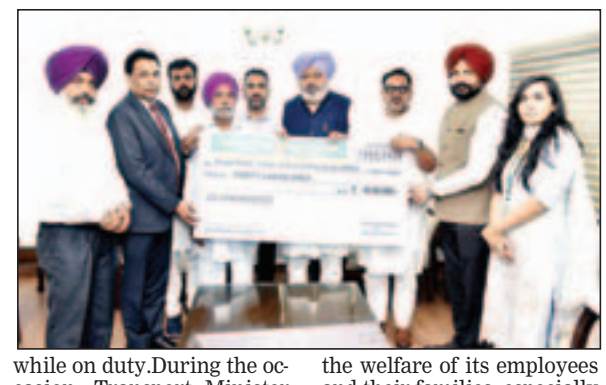
The ongoing development works include construction of community centres, Panchayat Ghars, Dharamshalas, playgrounds, streets and drainage systems, compound walls of cremation grounds, entry gates, repair of dispensaries, construction of school classrooms, installation of solar lights and conversion of kachha houses into pakka houses for economically weaker sections.

Mohinder Bhagat stated that upon completion of the current phase of works, an additional grant of Rs 5 crore per constituency will be released during the current financial year.

He reiterated that under the leadership of Chief Minister Sh. Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government is committed to the comprehensive development of both rural and urban areas, with a focus on strengthening road networks, canal irrigation, and enhancing education and healthcare services.

Harpal Singh Cheema and Chairman Harpal Juneja present Rs 40 lakh insurance cheque to family of PRTC conductor who died in accident

TAPINDER SINGH
PATIALA, APRIL 17



Punjab Finance and Transport Minister Harpal Singh Cheema expressed condolences to the family of Raman Deep Singh, a conductor of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (PRTC), who lost his life in an accident during duty, and handed over a cheque of Rs 40 lakh as insurance compensation to his father, Pragat Singh.

On this occasion, PRTC Chairman Advocate Harpal Juneja was also present. He stated that PRTC stands by its employees and their families in every moment of joy and sorrow.

Advocate Juneja informed that Raman Deep Singh, a resident of village Ghumiyara in district Sri Muktsar Sahib, had been serving as a conductor in PRTC through an outsourced agency since January 2, 2017, and had died in an accident while on duty.During the occasion, Transport Minister Cheema stated that the compensation has been provided to the legal heirs of the conductor under an agreement between PRTC and Punjab & Sind Bank, with the objective of offering financial assistance to the family during difficult times.Harpal Singh Cheema further said that under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government is fully committed to the welfare of its employees and their families, especially in addressing financial hardships arising due to accidents during duty.

PRTC Chairman Advocate Harpal Juneja, along with Managing Director Bikramjit Singh Shergill and representatives of Punjab & Sind Bank, also expressed their condolences and extended support to the bereaved family, encouraging them to stay strong during this difficult time.

Last meeting of current term of Kharar MC held under chairmanship of President Anju Chander

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, APRIL 17



The term of the local Municipal Council is ending on April 18. In this regard, the last meeting of the current council was held today under the chairmanship of Mrs. Anju Chander.

In this meeting, where the Council President honored the councilors, the Employees Union also honored the Municipal Council President and her husband Jasvir Chandra. Many issues were passed in the meeting and the councilors also discussed among themselves.

In the meeting, the resolution to take Aman City under the Municipal Council was approved and the councilors said that the colonies whose maps have been passed by the Municipal Council should be included in the committee.

Some councilors said that since these colonies are not under the council, the residents are having to deal with many problems of water, sewage and people are being forced to sell plots. During the debate, it was said that a road is being constructed by a builder on his own, on this the executive officer said that if the builder interferes, a case will be registered against him. On this, councilors Manpreet Singh Manna and Vaneet Jain said that the municipal council is not accepting who built the road that has been constructed in the Jhungia Community Center?

They asked the council officials to tell them what case has been registered against the person who has constructed the road in the community center? On this occasion, councilor Gobindar Singh Cheema demanded that the ground built on the land of village Bhukhari be released from the encroachment made by someone. He said that wrong maps have been passed in his ward, which was a common government road, that too has ended.

EPIC 2026 - National conference of specialist doctors takes off



NEERAJ SHARMA
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A prestigious two-day national conference titled EPIC – Empowering Physicians with International Standard Care Practices took off here today with a pre-conference workshop.

The theme of the conference is "Bridging Science, Practice & Future Therapies".Around 800–1000 specialist doctors from across the country are participating.The conference is being organized by the Society for Welfare, Education and Endocrinology, Thyroid and Diabetes, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to medical education and healthcare advancement.A highly successful pre-conference workshop on Mind-Body Medicine was conducted by noted experts Dr. Vaishali Deshmukh, Dr. Sanjay Phadke, and Dr. Leena Phadke. The main conference will focus on the latest advancements in Obesity, Diabetes, Insulin Pump, Nutrition, and Women's Health. It will feature scientific sessions, panel discussions, and keynote addresses by eminent speakers from across India.Dr. Sachin Mittal, Organizing Secretary, played a key role in conceptualizing and organizing this important academic event.

Henderson Jubilee School, Kharar achieves brilliant results in CBSE Class 10 board exams 2025–26

SHASHI PAL JAIN
KHARAR, APRIL 17



Henderson Jubilee School, Kharar has once again proved its mettle in academics as its students delivered a stellar performance in the CBSE Class 10 Board Examinations for the session 2025–26.

Nisha Sharma emerged as the school topper by securing an impressive 93 per cent, followed closely by Swati Moudgil who scored 91.6 per cent to claim the second position.

Deepanshi Pahwa secured the third spot with 90.8 per cent, while Yashpreet Kaur stood fourth with 89.2 per cent. Gurjap Singh rounded off the top five by scoring 89 per cent.

Principal Ms. Ekta Rachel Peoples expressed immense pride and satisfaction over the results. She further added that the tireless efforts of the dedicated teaching staff and the constant support of parents played an equally vital role in shaping these results.

She congratulated each and every student who appeared in the examination and encouraged them to aim even higher in the years to come.

Outstanding class 10 board results of Silver Oaks School



BATHINDA (ANIL VERMA): proudly announces the excellent performance of Class 10 students in the CBSE class X Board Examinations. The results reflects the dedication, hard work, and commitment of both students and teachers.

More than 30% of the students scored above 90%, highlighting the overall strong performance of the batch. Jasmeen Kaur secured the 1st position with97 % marks and also achieved a perfect 100/100 in Social Science and 99/100 in Mathematics. Bhavika Goyal secured the 2nd position with 96% marks and Neelgagan secured the 3rd position with 95.2% marks.

Ms Samreet Kaur scored a perfect 100/100 in Punjabi. The school Chairman Mr Sarup Chand Singla Ji, congratulated all the achievers and appreciated the consistent efforts of the entire teaching faculty. Principal Ms Neetu Arora extended a heartfelt gratitude to the parents for their continuous support and encouragement.

Partap World School shines in Class X board results; Pragun Sharma tops with 99%



PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): Partap World School has once again upheld its tradition of academic excellence by delivering outstanding results in the Class X board examinations. Established in 2006, the institution is celebrating 20 years of excellence, and students marked the occasion with commendable performances, bringing laurels to the school. Principal Subhra Rani informed that Pragun Sharma secured the top position with an impressive 99 per cent marks. Pragyan Prateek and Shagun Upadhyay shared the second position with 97 per cent each. Aseem Mumtaz Mirza scored 96.4 per cent, followed by Gyan Stuti with 96 per cent and Aastha Yadav with 95.4 per cent. Among other high achievers, Rudransh Singh scored 94.2 per cent, Anshika Thakur 94 per cent, Soumili Kundu and Nehan 93.2 per cent each, Swastika 93 per cent, while Gaurav Bhagat, Mohammad Faizan and Sanyam Dutta secured 92.2 per cent each. Bisambhar Dhawan scored 91.2 per cent, while Niharika Sharma, Ujjwal Singh and Shaurya Thakur secured 91 per cent each. Further, Varun Bali scored 90.4 per cent, while Gargi Rajput, Priyan Dhankhar and Aryan Thakur secured 90.2 per cent each. Muskan, Arnav Jasrotia, Saksham Randhawa, Ashish Vats, Umang Sharma, Ryansh Pratap Singh and Kushesh Khajuria also secured 90 per cent marks, contributing significantly to the school's overall performance. The Principal added that a total of 30 students scored 90 per cent and above, while 48 students secured marks between 80 and 90 per cent, further strengthening the overall result.

30th foundation day of Sarvhitkari School celebrated with devotion and enthusiasm



RAMPURA PHUL (KULJIT SINGH DHINGRA): On the auspicious and holy occasion of the 30th Foundation Day of the school, the recitation of Sri Sukhmani Sahib Ji was conducted with great devotion and spirit at Lala Kasturi Lal Sarvhitkari Senior Secondary Vidya Mandir Rampura Phul. This religious function was organized under the able leadership of the school principal Sanjeev Kumar.

On this occasion, members of the school management committee, teachers and students participated in large numbers and enjoyed the recitation of Gurbani and Kirtan. During the recitation, the entire atmosphere was imbued with devotion and everyone experienced spiritual peace.

In this religious function, the Patron of the Management Committee, Tarsem Kumar Jethi, President Prem Prakash, Manager Gurpreet Singh, Member Sanjeev Kumar (Retd. DEO), Ravinand, Ramesh Gautam (President, Sewa Bharti), Anil Shroff, Basant Lal, Raj Kumar, Krishan Lal, Sunil Kumar, Pramod Kumar, Jatinder Kumar and Navneet Kumar (CA) specially reached to seek the blessings of Guru Maharaj and registered their presence. They thanked the entire Sadh Sangat and all the dignitaries who had arrived.

Reservation notification for Kharar MC pols dashes hopes of many councillors

KHARAR (SHASHI PAL JAIN): With the Punjab government issuing a notification for reservation for the upcoming Kharar Municipal Council elections, the political future of many sitting councillors has come under threat. Several potential candidates are confused about which ward to contest the elections from.

It is noteworthy that elections are to be held in a total of 27 wards of Kharar Municipal Council, regarding which, as per the notification issued by the government, ward numbers 5, 13 and 17 have been reserved for Scheduled Castes, ward numbers 4, 16, 24 and 25 for Scheduled Castes women, ward number 12 for Backward Castes, ward numbers 2, 6, 8, 10, 14, 18, 20, 22, 26 for women and ward numbers 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 15, 19, 21, 23 and 27 for General have been reserved.

It is noteworthy that this reservation will have the effect that many councilors who raise issues vigorously in the council meetings will not be able to come to Kharar Municipal Council. Many councilors will not be able to contest rather they have to field their wives.

Another interesting aspect of this reservation is that 5 years ago when the council elections were held, the senior leader of the AAP party from ward number 25 Ram Saroop Sharma was the only member in the council who had won the election on the Aap Party symbol, but now his ward has been reserved for the Scheduled Castes women. Similarly, in a by-election, the current president Mrs. Anju Chander had won on the AAP party ticket.

Her ward have also been reserved for the Scheduled Castes now.

Sukhbir Badal expresses grief over loss of lives in Vrindavan boat accident

LUDHIANA (SARBJIT SUFI): Akali Dal President Sukhbir Singh Badal dugri ludhiana to express his grief over the loss of lives in the tragic boat accident that took place at vrindawan . Sukhbir badal shared his grief and urged them to live this unforgettable time in the grace of God. On this occasion, Sukhbir Badal said that taking a lesson from this incident, the central government, whether it is the state governments, should make adequate arrangements for the safety of the devotees visiting religious places so that such a bad time never befalls anyone in the future. He also asked to make it mandatory to wear safety jackets at places where boats are used. Former minister Hira Singh Gabria, who was present with Mr. Badal, said that he will move a resolution in the Municipal Corporation House through the Akali Dal councilors that the local park be named after the deceased and the Bansal and Gulati families so that the departed souls are always remembered. On this occasion, Advocate Parupkar Singh Ghuman, Jasdeep Singh Kaunke, Councilor Rakhwinder Singh Gabria, former chairman Jagbir Singh Sokhi, former mayor Harcharan Singh Gohalwaria, Amit Gosain, Simranjit Singh Honey, Manpreet Singh Batra, Gurmeet Singh Sidhu, Surjit Singh Pradhan, riot victim and others were present.

Aman Arora chairs high-level review meeting with district officials to assess progress of ongoing development works in Sunam Assembly Constituency

SANGRUR (SUMER GARG): The meeting was held at the District Administrative Complex, Sangrur, in the presence of Deputy Commissioner Rahul Chaba. During the meeting, the Cabinet Minister issued clear directions to ensure strict adherence to Punjab Government guidelines and timely completion of all projects within stipulated deadlines.

A comprehensive review of multiple departments was undertaken, including Public Works, Panchayati Raj, Health, Education, Rural Development, Sewerage Board, PSPCL, Animal Husbandry, Forest Department, Transport, and the Municipal Council. Emphasizing the vision of Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Cabinet Minister urged officials to work with dedication and coordination to transform Sunam into one of Punjab's leading constituencies in terms of infrastructure and public services.

He also reviewed the status of key development projects, including roads, libraries, playgrounds, panchayat ghars, ponds, underground pipelines, water supply schemes, and trauma centres. Directing the executing agencies, he stressed the need for regular monitoring and accountability.

Students of Miri Piri Khalsa College Bhadaur participate in the book fair

BALWINDER AZAD
BHADAUR, APRIL 17

Miri Piri Khalsa College Bhadaur, which is working under the management of Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee Shri Amritsar Sahib. Recently, a book fair was organized in Punjabi University Patiala. Regarding which, Dr. Mandeep Kaur, Head of the Punjabi Department, informed that Punjabi University Patiala had organized a book fair from March 30 to April 3. In which, under the able leadership of the head of the institution, Principal Malvinder Singh, the students participated in this fair. The students enjoyed this fair a lot and got a chance to see the writers related to different subjects closely. The head of the institution, Principal Malvinder Singh, while praising this initiative of the Punjabi department, said that along with studies, such opportunities should be given to the students. Due to which the students connect with books and get inspiration to connect with literature. He motivated them to provide such opportunities in the future as well. On this occasion, Dr. Vandana Sukhija, Prof. Bhinderjit Kaur, Prof. Jaspreet Singh, all the staff and students were present.

Faridkot police launches large-scale search operation in district



JAITU (JAGDEEP SINGH GILL) : Under the leadership of the Honorable Chief Minister of Punjab, Shri Bhagwant Singh Mann, the Punjab Government has launched a campaign in the name of War on Drugs to eradicate drugs from Punjab. Under which drug smugglers and drug selling places are being identified across Punjab. Under this, Faridkot Police, under the leadership of Dr. Pragya Jain SSP Faridkot, conducted a large-scale 'Cordon and Search Operation' (CASO) in the entire district.

This search was conducted in drug hotspots and sensitive areas, the main objective of which was to stop the supply of drugs at the 'point of sale' level. This operation was conducted simultaneously in all 03 sub-divisions of the district on the directions of the Special Director General of Police, Law and Order, Punjab. This search operation was supervised by Shri Manvinderbir Singh SP (Local) Faridkot and Shri Jogeswar Singh Goraya, SP (Investigation) Faridkot. During which the officers of DSP Rack were asked to personally supervise this operation in their respective sub-divisions. During this search operation, special teams of more than 150 police personnel were formed and surprise raids were conducted at the suspected locations of various drug smugglers.

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DC reviews ongoing schemes, projects in Hoshiarpur

HOSHIARPUR: Deputy Commissioner Ashika Jain today reviewed the ongoing welfare schemes, development works and projects in the district and directed officials to ensure regular monitoring so that benefits reach people at the grassroots level. She also asked departments to give priority to the timely disposal of public issues. At a meeting held at the local District Administrative Complex in the presence of Additional Deputy Commissioners and SDMs, Jain instructed that the process of issuing cards under the Mukhyamantri Sehat Yojana be accelerated through special camps in villages. She said that 2.60 lakh cards have already been made in the district and the remaining eligible families would also be covered soon, with adequate teams already deployed for the task. Jain also reviewed preparations for the upcoming drug and socio-economic census in the district and said enumerators should be properly briefed on the process, which will be carried out through a dedicated mobile app. She said the district administration is in the final stages of readiness for the exercise.



NEWS BRIEF

Somya secures second place in the district and first place in the block with 99.2% marks



ARVIND PATHAK
SULTANPUR LODHI: The Class 10 results of Akal Galaxy Convent School Sultanpur Lodhi were 100% in the Class 10 results announced by the CBSE Board New Delhi. Principal Mona Ghai (Senior Wing) stated that 106 students participated in the examination with 15 students scoring above 90%, 55 students above 80%, and all the remaining students securing first class. Managing Director Sukhdev Singh Judge and Vice President Kulwinder Singh Judge of Akal Group of Institutions congratulated Principal Mona Ghai (Senior Wing), Principal Madhu Sharma (Junior Wing), and all the school staff and students for this remarkable achievement. Principal Mona Ghai said that student Soumya secured 99.2% marks and secured second position in Kapurthala district and first position in Sultanpur Lodhi block. She said that student Amritjot Kaur secured second position with 93% marks and Sukhman Kaur and Jobanpreet Singh secured third position with 90% marks.

British Victoria school class 10th result 100%



ARVIND PATHAK
SULTANPUR LODHI: The result of British Victoria School was 100% out of the Class 10th results declared by CBSE. Giving information in this regard Chairman Shinderpal Singh, Managing Director Arshdeep Singh and Principal Mrs. Sunita Sabharwal congratulated the students, parents and staff and said that Promising student Ravleen Kaur secured first position in the school by securing 96% marks, Gursirat Kaur also performed brilliantly by securing 91% marks. They wished the students a bright future for this brilliant performance.

" Mission CAT Punjab 100 " launched for free coaching of 100 girls

SURINDER DAMDAMI
KOTKAPURA: As per the guidelines of Punjab Government and Deputy Commissioner Faridkot Poonamdeep Kaur, continuous efforts are being made to provide employment and self-employment opportunities to the unemployed youth of Faridkot district. Under this series, " Mission CAT" has been launched with the aim of preparing the girls of the district to motivate them towards higher education. Under "Punjab 100 " , 100 girls will be provided free coaching. Giving information in this regard, Gurtej Singh District Employment Generation Skill Development and Training Officer Faridkot said that the girls selected under this scheme will be specially prepared for the exam , so that they can appear in AIIMS to get admission in famous management institutes of the country.
He said that the candidate applying for this coaching must have passed graduation in any subject. Final and pre-final year students can also apply. Apart from this, the candidate should be studying in Punjab/Chandigarh or should be a resident of Punjab/Chandigarh.
He further informed that the last date to apply for coaching is 19th April 2026 and the orientation program will be conducted on 21st April 2026. Interested candidates can apply online at www.punjab100 . com or contact District Employment and Business Bureau, Faridkot. For more information, one can contact on WhatsApp number 9877211555. He also appealed that the unemployed candidates of the district should register their names at the office of District Employment and Business Bureau, Talwandi Bypass , near Purana Sandhu Palace , 1st Floor of Red Cross Bhawan , Faridkot on any working day. Apart from this, they have also been asked to register on the Punjab Government portal www.pgrkam.com and connect with WhatsApp groups and social media platforms, so that they get timely information about job fairs, self-employment schemes and skill courses. For more information, the helpline number 99883-50193 can be contacted.

Cabinet clears citizen-led desilting policy to boost flood preparedness

GAURAV GOEL
CHANDIGARH, APRIL 17



Punjab Cabinet, led by CM Bhagwant Singh Mann, has cleared a citizen-focused policy allowing landowners to undertake desilting of rivers, choes and drains at their own cost, with the right to use excavated material free of charge, in a move aimed at strengthening flood preparedness ahead of the monsoon while improving river flow across critical stretches.

Disclosing this, Chief Minister's Office stated: "A major citizen centric decision has been taken by the Punjab Cabinet led by CM Bhagwant Singh Mann to approve allowing landowners to undertake desilting of rivers/choes/drains including River Sutlej, River Beas and River Siswan. The decision was taken in a meeting of the Council of Ministers chaired by CM Bhagwant Singh Mann."

Landowners allowed to desilt rivers, choes and drains at own cost, use excavated material free of charge. The Cabinet has also given approval to a policy for permitting concerned landowners to undertake desilting of rivers / choes / drains including River Sutlej, River Beas and River Siswan at their own cost and to utilize the excavated material free of cost for their own use." The spokesperson further noted that the initiative will facilitate expeditious desilting of critical reaches, enhance the carrying capacity of rivers/choes and significantly reduce the risk of floods, thereby safeguarding public and private property.

The Punjab Government has identified nine critical sites where desilting is required to ensure smooth flow of water in view of the upcoming monsoon season. Non-execution of desilting at these sites could lead to accumulation of silt, reduced carrying capacity of rivers/choes and increased flood risk during the ensuing monsoon, besides continued non-utilization of excavated material. To ensure timely desilting before the monsoon season 2026–27 and to address non-responsive sites, it has been decided to permit concerned landowners to undertake desilting at their own cost, with free utilization of excavated material for their own use. This will facilitate expeditious execution of desilting works while reducing potential flood risks and associated liabilities. CM Bhagwant Singh Mann-led Cabinet Gives nod to amend Rule 6 of Punjab Reservation for office of Sarpanches of Gram Panchayat / Chairman / Vice Chairman of Zila Parishad & Panchayat Samiti.

Full support for women's reservation, but Centre indulging in theatrics: Meet Hayer

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Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MP from Sangrur Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer, speaking during the special session of Parliament on the Women's Reservation and Delimitation Bills, extended full support to women's reservation while questioning the intent and timing of the Union Government, calling the move a political exercise aimed at electoral gains. He also strongly opposed the Delimitation Bill, warning that it could disturb the federal balance and further weaken the representation of states like Punjab.

Addressing a late-night debate in Parliament, AAP MP Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer stated, "We fully support the Women's Reservation Bill, but the intent of the Union Government raises serious questions. The manner and timing in which this has been brought suggests it is being used as an election gimmick rather than a sincere step towards empowerment." The AAP MP added, "If the Union Government had genuine intent, it would have passed this bill in 2023 itself. At that time, it was argued that implementation would follow the census. Today, the bill is being pushed even though the census process has not even begun, which exposes the inconsistency in their approach."

Expressing firm opposition to the Delimitation Bill, Gurmeet Singh Meet Hayer said, "The Delimitation Bill can have a devastating impact on the political balance of states. Smaller states like Punjab will suffer further erosion in representation, while more populous states will gain disproportionately, deepening existing inequalities."

He further highlighted longstanding issues concerning Punjab, stating, "Promises made to Punjab before and after independence remain unfulfilled. Instead of granting special status, funds meant for Punjab are being withheld, and its rights over BBMB are being steadily diluted. Punjab is already facing injustice due to lower representation, and delimitation will only worsen this situation." Drawing international comparisons, he noted, "In countries like the United States and across Europe, all states are ensured equal rights. India must also move towards a framework where every state is treated with fairness and equity, irrespective of population size."

Aman Arora inaugurates chowk built in memory of Mata Mohinder Kaur in Sunam

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SANGRUR, APRIL 17



Punjab Cabinet Minister and State President of the Aam Aadmi Party, Aman Arora, today inaugurated a newly constructed chowk near the School of Eminence (Boys), Sunam, developed in memory of Mata Mohinder Kaur, mother of former Municipal Council President Nishan Singh Tony.

Addressing the gathering, the Cabinet Minister said that the newly developed junction will significantly improve traffic regulation while also adding to the city's aesthetic appeal. He noted that the chowk, strategically located on the road connecting Jakhepal, Bakshiwala and Sunam, will ease congestion and provide smoother connectivity for commuters.

Highlighting the Punjab Government's performance over the past four years, he said that the state has witnessed transformative progress in infrastructure, education and healthcare sectors. Initiatives such as Schools of Eminence are ensuring access to quality education and shaping a better future for students. Referring to the 'Mawan Dheeyan Satkar Yojna', he emphasized that the government is committed to women's welfare and empowerment through a range of targeted initiatives, ensuring inclusive growth and social upliftment. Reiterating the government's vision, he said that Punjab continues to move forward on the path of development through people-centric policies, and such projects will further strengthen civic infrastructure in the coming years. Prominent among those present on the occasion were former Municipal Council Sunam President Nishan Singh Tony, Harpal Singh, Rimpy Thind, Manpreet Bansal, Harmesh Singh Pappi, Ghanaiya Lal, Joginder Singh, Manpreet Singh Mani etc.,

Cheema flags off 25 new vehicles to boost excise & taxation enforcement



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Punjab Finance, Excise and Taxation Minister Advocate Harpal Singh Cheema on Friday flagged off 25 new Bolero vehicles to strengthen the operational mobility and enforcement capabilities of the Excise and Taxation Department, asserting that the move will significantly enhance field presence, curb tax evasion, and boost revenue generation for the Punjab Government.

Addressing a press, Minister Harpal Singh Cheema stated, "Today marks a vital step forward for our state administration as we officially flag off 25 new Bolero vehicles to significantly enhance the operational mobility and enforcement capabilities of the Excise and Taxation Department."

Emphasising the need for stronger on-ground operations and wider geographical reach, the Minister stated, "To ensure maximum geographical coverage and operational efficiency, the Department has procured these 25 Bolero vehicles at a total cost of approximately Rs 2.21 crore.

These vehicles will be deployed across various districts, enforcement wings, and our critical mobile units."

Ensure adequate arrangements in view of monsoon season and possible floods: Deepshikha Sharma



FEROZEPUR (TAPINDER SINGH): Deputy Commissioner of border district Ferozepur Commissioner Deepshikha Sharma, in a meeting held to deal with possible floods during the upcoming monsoon season, instructed the officers of various departments to ensure adequate arrangements in advance and said that work should be done in coordination to face possible floods. Additional Deputy Commissioner (J) Dr. Amandeep Kaur was also present on this occasion.

On this occasion, she ordered all SDMs and officers of the concerned departments to visit the villages in critical condition during floods in advance and take stock of the situation and strengthen the embankments, culverts, bridges, roads etc. in advance. Apart from this, the Deputy Commissioner directed the officers of the concerned departments to check the equipment like sandbags, boats, life jackets, flood lights, search lights, medical necessities etc. in advance and if any equipment needs repair, then it should be repaired immediately. Apart from this, the cleaning of drainage and sewerage should also be ensured before the monsoon. He said that any kind of negligence in terms of arrangements will not be tolerated, therefore the assigned responsibility should be completed on time with full dedication and honesty.

MLA Malender Rajan expresses grief over recovery of youth's body from Beas River



INDORA (PARDEEP SHARMA): The MLA of Indora Assembly constituency, Malender Rajan, expressed deep sorrow over the recovery of the body of a youth named Krish, who drowned in the Beas River at Suradwan.

According to reports, the youth was swept away by the strong current while bathing in the river, and search operations had been ongoing since the incident. His body was later recovered near Mayani. Upon receiving information about the incident, MLA Malender Rajan immediately reached the spot and met the bereaved family to offer his condolences. He assured them of all possible support during this difficult time. Administrative and police officials were also present at the site.

The MLA provided immediate financial assistance of ?25,000 to the victim's family as relief. He also informed that the remaining ?3,75,000 has been approved and will be disbursed to the family soon. He directed the concerned officials to ensure that the compensation is delivered without delay.

Sweet poison being sold on Punjab roadsides, government in deep slumber: Regional social activists



DALJEET AJNOHA
HOSHIARPUR, APRIL 17

Near village Davida Ahirana on the Phagwara-Hoshiarpur road, migrant workers operating sugarcane crushers are selling "sweet poison" along the roadside, while the administration remains in a Kumbhakarni-like slumber.

Just a day earlier, the Doaba General Category Front Punjab and others organizations had seized about 100 bags of sugar from the aforementioned crusher. A video of the incident went viral after being live-streamed on the internet. The district administration and health department were informed via phone, but instead of immediate action, the sugar—used for adulterating jaggery—was simply shifted elsewhere.

Outraged by this, local residents, social organizations, and Nihang Singh groups blocked the Hoshiarpur-Phagwara road today in protest. Long queues of vehicles formed on both sides. Demonstrators raised slogans against the government and administration, demanding strict action against the crusher owner.

CM Mann forwards sacrilege bill to Governor; Cabinet reviews crop damage

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Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann convened a high-level Cabinet meeting at his official residence on Friday to deliberate on pressing administrative issues, including the recent crop damage caused by unseasonal rainfall.

Ahead of the session, the Chief Minister took to social media to clarify that the 'Jagat Jyot Sri Guru Granth Sahib Satkar Bill, 2026,' which aims to provide stringent punishment for sacrilege, has been formally forwarded to Governor Gulab Chand Kataria.

This announcement follows a statement by the Governor in Pathankot a day earlier, in which he noted that the bill had yet to reach his office but assured immediate consideration upon its arrival. The Cabinet is expected to focus heavily on the agricultural crisis, as unseasonal rains have severely impacted the wheat harvest across the state.

In addition to assessing crop loss and potential compensation for farmers, the meeting is scheduled to review the progress of ongoing recruitment drives across various government departments and other vital administrative reforms.

Following the conclusion of the deliberations, Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema is slated to hold a press conference at noon to provide a detailed briefing on the Cabinet's final decisions.

This marks the second major Cabinet assembly within a month, underscoring the government's proactive approach toward rural development and legislative priorities.

Sri Guru Harkrishan Public School Pathankot's class 10 result 100 pc

SHARANJEET
PATHANKOT, APRIL 17



Sri Guru Harkrishan Public School Pathankot's Class 10th result announced by CBSE was excellent like every year. Giving information in this regard, the school's Principal Rachna Ahuja said that the school's Class 10th result was 100 percent.

Out of which 24 students scored above 90 percent marks while 45 students scored above 80 percent marks, bringing glory to the school. Principal Rachna Ahuja said that school students Akshit Sharma and Gurleen Kaur secured first position in the school by scoring 97.6 percent marks. While Parvi Pathania secured second position with 96.6, Shreya secured third position with 96.4 percent marks, Kartavya secured fourth position with 95.4 percent marks and Aahna secured fifth position with 95.2 percent marks. Similarly, Saina, got 95 percent, Rishit got 94.6, Sarvika, Harshita, Gauri got 94.2, Prathana got 94, Nandini got 93.4, Himanya got 93.2, Agampreet Kaur got 93, Darshita got 92.8, Asmi got 92.4, Satuti got 91.8, Niharika got 91.6, Drishti got 91, Pratibha got 90.4, Shavi got 90.2, Sukhpreet Kaur and Aarush got 90 percent marks and brought glory to the school. On this occasion, School President Gurmeet Singh Bhatia, Principal Rachna Ahuja congratulated the talented students, their parents and school staff for this excellent result.

SDM Harvir Kaur inspects Bassi Pathana grain market, assures hassle-free wheat procurement for farmers and commission agents

AJAY MALHOTRA
FATEHGARH SAHIB, APR 17



SDM Bassi Pathana, Ms. Harvir Kaur, conducted an extensive inspection of the newly established grain market at Bassi Pathana to review the ongoing wheat procurement arrangements. During the visit, she interacted with officials from various procurement agencies, farmers, and commission agents to ensure smooth and efficient operations throughout the procurement season.

Accompanied by Bassi Pathana Arhtiya Association President Harjit Singh Cheema, the District Food & Supplies Officer, Tehsildar Bassi Pathana, and the AFSO, SDM Harvir Kaur examined the arrangements made by the Market Committee and issued clear directions to officials. She emphasized that no farmer or commission agent should face any inconvenience during wheat procurement and that all necessary steps must be taken to streamline the process.

SDM Kaur also inspected facilities related to weighing, storage, transportation, and cleanliness within the market premises. She stressed the importance of coordination among departments to maintain transparency, efficiency, and timely lifting of procured wheat.

Expressing gratitude on behalf of the trading community, Arhtiya Association President Harjit Singh Cheema thanked SDM Harvir Kaur for her proactive approach and support.

He said the administration has been extending exemplary cooperation, and he hopes this supportive environment will continue till the completion of the entire procurement season.

Free FibroScan camp held at Amandeep Hospital, Pathankot

PATHANKOT (SHARANJEET): Amandeep Hospital, Pathankot, on Friday organised a free FibroScan camp for the screening of liver diseases, an initiative being regarded as a first-of-its-kind effort in the city's history. The test, which typically costs around ?5,000 in the market, was provided free of charge to the public. Facility Director Vijay Kumar Thapa stated that the FibroScan test offers accurate insights into liver health and helps detect liver diseases at an early stage. He highlighted that individuals who consume alcohol are at a higher risk of liver damage, making such screenings essential. A large number of people availed themselves of the facility during the camp. Dr Mushfiq Syed provided guidance on liver care, advising people to adopt a healthy diet, avoid substance abuse, and undergo regular health check-ups. Dr. Mushfiq Syed, who has been rendering round-the-clock services for the past two years, successfully organised the camp. The hospital authorities said the camp received an overwhelming response, with many patients benefiting from the initiative. Vijay Kumar Thapa expressed gratitude to all supporters and participants, adding that Amandeep Hospital would continue to organise similar health initiatives in the future.



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Property worth several lakh rupees burnt in fire in Una cafe

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UNA: Goods worth lakhs of rupees were reduced to ashes following a fire at a cafe located on Hamirpur Road in the Una district of Himachal Pradesh. Fortunately, as the cafe was empty during the early morning hours, there have been no reports of any casualties. The fire originated in the cafe's kitchen and, within moments, engulfed the entire area. Consequently, the refrigerator and other equipment kept in the kitchen were completely destroyed. The Fire Department was immediately alerted to the scene, and after half an hour of strenuous effort, the blaze was successfully brought under control. District Fire Officer Suresh Kumar said that they received information regarding the fire incident at 6:40 AM. The department promptly arrived at the site and succeeded in extinguishing the fire. An assessment is currently underway to determine the exact cause of the fire and to estimate the total extent of the damage incurred.

NEWS BRIEF

Free multi check-up camp on April 19

KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: In a commendable step towards social service, the Rotary Club Una is organizing a free multi check-up camp on Sunday, April 19 at Mahadev Temple, Kotla Kalan. The camp is being held under the inspiration, guidance, and blessings of Mahant Swami Mangalanand Ji, with the aim of providing better healthcare facilities to the local residents. According to Rotary Club Una President Yashpal Singh Thakur and Secretary Ranjeet Jaswal, specialist doctors from various fields will offer their services at the camp. The team includes heart specialist Dr. Raman Chawla from Jalandhar, ENT specialist Dr. K.R. Arya, dental expert Dr. Namisha Vist, and MD physician Dr. Deepak Arya, along with other experienced doctors. They informed that free tests for blood sugar, blood pressure (BP), and heart-related check-ups will be conducted.

Cabinet hikes MSP for wheat, maize; 1000 Police Constables to be recruited

DINESH AGARWAL
SHIMLA, APR 17



The State Cabinet in its meeting held here today under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu decided to enhance the Minimum Support Price of Wheat from Rs. 60 to Rs. 80 per kg, Maize from Rs. 40 to Rs. 50 per kg, Barley from Pangi Valley of Chamba district from Rs. 60 to Rs. 80 per kg, Raw Turmeric from Rs. 90 to Rs. 150 per kg and Ginger at the rate of Rs. 30 per kg produced through naturally farming. The Cabinet decided to create and fill up 1000 posts of Police Constable in the Police Department. It also decided to create and fill up 500 posts of Assistant Forest Guards in the Forest Department, with 50 percent quota to the Van Mitras. It was also decided to engage 8 Naib Tehsildar, 20 Kanungo and 44 Patwaris from retired officers and officials of Revenue Department on fixed remunerations for the Forest Department. It decided to engage 10 legal consultants in 10 territorial circles of the Forest Department. The Cabinet decided to engage retired faculty members as Professors in new medical colleges to address the acute shortage of teaching staff across various clinical and non-clinical specialities, ensuring the effective functioning of these institutions. It also decided to re-organize the administrative set up of Divisions of Jal Shakti Department in Sirmaur district on the basis of constituency, as it will be convenient for the department to provide better facilities to the public. To disburse the social security pension to beneficiaries in time, the Cabinet decided to amend the Rules 10 (2) and (3) of the Himachal Pradesh Social Security (Pension/ Allowance) Rules, 2010.

The Cabinet approved to simplify the fire NOC process, making it more streamlined and citizen-friendly. The revised norms aim to promote ease of doing business while benefiting residential building owners and strengthening fire safety measures. The Cabinet decided to take the services of Honorary Captain Sanjay Kumar (Paramveer Chakra Awardee) to encourage the youth of the State to join Indian Army Forces with effect from 1st May, 2026.

Smart Meter row sparks uproar in Jhandutta; residents issue stern warning to authorities

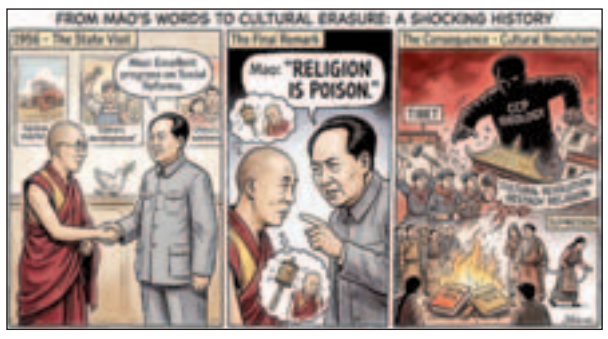


AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, APR 17

A wave of public anger swept through Jhandutta today as local traders and residents staged a strong protest against the installation of smart electricity meters, turning the premises of the Electricity Department office into a hub of dissent and slogans. Under the leadership of Lakhanpal Sharma, a large number of agitated locals assembled outside the office, voicing serious concerns over the ongoing replacement of traditional meters. The protesters accused the authorities of enforcing the decision without adequate consultation or transparency, calling the move unjustified and burdensome for common consumers. Prominent members of the community, including Vijay, former BDC member Anil Dhiman, Subhash Verma, and Jeetram, stood united during the demonstration. A memorandum highlighting their objections and demands was formally submitted to the department officials, urging an immediate halt to the installation process.

Tibetan perspective on China's repression

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, APR 17



In 1956, His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama visited China at the invitation of the Chinese government. During his stay, which lasted almost a year, he traveled extensively and met with many top Chinese leaders, including Chairman Mao Zedong.While observing China's development and governance, His Holiness gained firsthand experience of Chinese policies, public freedoms, and the Communist Party's ideology. In one of his meetings with Chairman Mao, Mao praised the Dalai Lama for his efforts in social reform. But as the meeting ended, Mao made a shocking statement: "Religion is poison."

This chilling remark reflected the Chinese Communist Party's view that religion is a threat to its power. Being officially atheist, the CCP considers religious belief a danger to its control over society. This ideology later fueled the Cultural Revolution—a devastating campaign that destroyed religious institutions, suppressed languages and traditions, and violated basic human freedoms across China, including Tibet.

In Tibet, monasteries were demolished, sacred texts were burned, and thousands of monks and nuns were arrested, tortured, or killed. The Cultural Revolution attempted to erase Tibetan identity. Sadly, this form of cultural and religious genocide has continued and, in some ways, worsened under the current regime of Chairman Xi Jinping.

Today, the Chinese government is carrying out policies that are aimed at completely eradicating Tibetan culture. Tibetan children are forcibly sent to state-run boarding schools where they are forbidden to speak their native language or learn about their religion. They are separated from their families and subjected to political indoctrination from a young age.

Workers launch protest against government over demands

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA, APR 17



On Friday, at the district headquarters in Dharamshala, workers from across the district staged a protest against the state's Congress government regarding their various demands. Shouting slogans against the state government, the workers warned of an intensified agitation if their claims were not settled promptly. The workers also accused the state government of negligence and indifference. Led by Ravinder Singh, the State General Secretary of the Trade Union Coordination Center, the protesting workers stated that various objections are being raised regarding the settlement of their claims.They pointed out that beneficiaries among construction workers have not received financial assistance for the past three years. Statutory social security schemes, they alleged, exist merely on paper plastered on walls and buses but are not being implemented in practice. They further alleged that the Welfare Board has been raising a series of objections, one after another, for the last three years. Schemes covering scholarships, marriage assistance, disability benefits, medical aid, and death pensions—all of which are mandated for construction workers under Indian law have effectively ground to a halt. The workers' applications, they noted, are simply gathering dust in the Board's offices. Even claims related to death benefits and scholarships that were approved in December 2025 have yet to see the corresponding financial assistance credited to the beneficiaries' bank accounts. Consequently, the workers' patience has run out, and they are now determined to launch a vigorous agitation.

IIIT Una launches Astraa S1, its first-ever inter-year sports fest



KISHORI LAL BAINS

UNA: The Indian Institute of Information Technology Una (IIIT Una) marked an exciting beginning with the grand inauguration of Astraa S1, its first-ever Inter-Year Sports Fest, organized by the institute's Sports Club, Zenith. The campus came alive with energy and enthusiasm as students geared up to compete across a variety of sporting events, showcasing their talent, determination, and team spirit. The fest was inaugurated on April 16, 2026, by Prof. Manish Gaur, Director, IIIT Una, whose encouragement and continued support have been instrumental in promoting sports and holistic development at the institute. Addressing the students, he emphasized the importance of discipline, teamwork, and resilience that sports instill alongside academic excellence. The successful launch of Astraa S1 reflects the dedicated efforts and hard work of the faculty coordinators—Dr. Ankur Kumar, Dr. Satendra Kumar, and Dr. Akhil Walia—who played a key role in bringing the event to life. With Astraa S1, IIIT Una sets the stage for days filled with competitive spirit, camaraderie, and memorable experiences beyond the classroom, marking a significant step in strengthening the institute's sporting culture.

Mandatory biometric update camps in govt and private schools across state to begin on 20th April

DINESH AGARWAL

SHIMLA: A Spokesperson of Department of Digital Technologies and Governance today here informed that the department in co-ordination with the Department of School Education and Samagra Shiksha, would organizing Mandatory Biometric Update camps in government and private schools across the State with effect from 20th April, 2026.

Spokesperson informed that the purpose of these camps is to facilitate the Mandatory Biometric Update of Aadhaar for children who have attained the age of five years or 15 years. As per UIDAI guidelines, children are required to update their biometric details - fingerprints, iris scan and photograph on attaining these ages to ensure continued validity and accuracy of Aadhaar.

He informed that the camps would be conducted district-wise phased manner in schools across the state. Students and parents are requested to co-operate with school authorities and camp teams for timely completion of the update process. He informed that Parents and guardians are advised to ensure that their child carries copy of Aadhaar Card of the child, Mobile number linked with Aadhaar (preferably) and presence of parent/guardian, if required. The spokesperson informed that all parents should avail this facility and complete the Mandatory Biometric Update of eligible children within the stipulated time to avoid inconvenience in availing Aadhaar-based services in future.

Road safety and drug de-addiction awareness program organized

AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB, APR 17



A special program was organized on Friday at PM Shri Government Model Senior Secondary School, Amb, to raise awareness among students about road safety and drug de-addiction. On this occasion, Head Constable Vinod Kumar and Constable Shivdayal Sharma from the police department informed the students about important road safety rules. He explained to the students the precautions they should take while walking on the road, such as always walking on the left side of the road, obeying traffic rules, and being mindful of their own safety as well as the safety of others. He also said that if everyone follows these rules, the increasing number of road accidents in society can be largely controlled. Additionally, officials encouraged students to stay away from the evil of drug addiction. They explained that drug addiction not only harms a person's health but also negatively impacts families and society. They also highlighted the dangers of illicit drug trafficking and urged students to stay away from such activities and spread awareness within the community. During the program, the school's Principal, Vinod Vanyal, honored the visiting officials with mementos. Addressing the students, he said that vigilance is the key to safety on the road and everyone should follow the rules. Rashid Mohammed, the nodal officer for the event, shared all the information related to the event. School staff and students participated enthusiastically in the program.

Women will get new dimension from Nari Shakti Vandan Act: Manoj Dogra

AVINASH CHAUHAN
AMB, APR 17



BJP media in-charge from Chintpurni assembly constituency, Manoj Dogra, described the Women's Reservation Bill as a step that will bring about a historic change in the country's politics and expressed special gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He said that under this bill, 33 percent reservation has been ensured for women in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies, which will give direct participation to half of the country's population in the decision-making process. Calling it a strong initiative towards 'Nari Shakti Vandan', he said that this will not only increase the number of women in politics, but their perspective, experience and sensitivity will also find a place in policy making.

Manoj Dogra stated that the bill's implementation will bring women from both rural and urban areas into the mainstream of leadership, enabling more effective decisions on issues related to education, health, security, and social justice. He explained that this will provide women with the opportunity to become politically independent and further empower their position in society. Praising the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, she said that during his tenure, many historic schemes for the upliftment of women have been implemented. The Ujjwala Yojana freed millions of women from smoke, the Jan Dhan Yojana connected them to the banking system, the "Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao" campaign brought about a positive change in attitudes towards daughters, while maternity benefits and nutrition schemes have strengthened women's health. Manoj Dogra said that the Women's Reservation Bill is a continuation of all these efforts, establishing women not only as beneficiaries but also as policymakers.

Baddi Police wins silver SKOCH award

SHANTI GAUTAM
BADDI, APR 17



Baddi Police has been honored with the prestigious Final Silver SKOCH Award in the Police and Security category for its special 2025 campaign "Operation Gundown." Amid rising gun culture and threatening social media posts involving illegal weapons in Himachal Pradesh's border districts, fear had gripped both the general public and industrial sector. In response, Baddi Police launched "Operation Gundown" in 2025 to tackle the issue. During the campaign, police technical teams closely monitored the activities of over 1,000 social media accounts. In September 2025, the police took suo motu action, registering 13 cases, arresting 13 individuals, and seizing illegal weapons. Some accused who had fled to other states were also tracked and arrested through technical surveillance. Alongside this campaign, Baddi Police registered the highest number of cases against illegal mining across the state and took strict action against other criminal activities. It also launched a "Prevention of Crime and Awareness" project to educate women about crime, which was recognized as a semi-finalist for the SKOCH Order of Merit Award.

The SKOCH Award is a prestigious national honor, often referred to as India's highest independent civilian recognition. It is conferred after a rigorous four-month evaluation process, including expert scrutiny, stakeholder feedback, and final jury deliberation. Superintendent of Police Vinod Dhiman stated in a press conference that "Operation Gundown" is still ongoing. Recently, strict action has been taken against illegal arms holders in areas like Nalagarh, Manpura, and Barotiwala. He added that such campaigns will continue in the future. This achievement is a matter of pride not only for Baddi Police but for the entire Himachal Pradesh Police, reflecting their commitment to law enforcement and public safety.

Himachal's pride shines globally: Padam Shri Dr Omesh Bharti appointed to WHO Supervisory Committee

AJAY KUMAR UPADHYAY
BILASPUR, APR 17



In a moment of immense pride for Himachal Pradesh and the nation, Padam Shri awardee Dr Omesh Bharti has been entrusted with a prestigious global responsibility by the World Health Organization (WHO). Renowned internationally for his pioneering work in rabies control, Dr Bharti has been appointed as a member of the Supervisory Committee for WHO's Department of Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs). This elite 18-member committee comprises leading global experts tasked with conducting a critical mid-term evaluation of programs under the NTD Roadmap 2021–2030. Dr. Bharti's inclusion as an independent expert on neglected zoonotic diseases highlights his exceptional contributions and growing global influence in public health. The committee's mandate is to rigorously assess ongoing initiatives, ensuring they remain aligned with ambitious global targets set for 2030. It will also provide high-level strategic and technical guidance to uphold the integrity, transparency, and effectiveness of the evaluation process. Dr. Bharti already holds distinguished positions as a member of WHO's Expert Panel on Rabies and Snakebite, as well as serving on India's National Task Force. His appointment is expected to further amplify India's voice in shaping global health policies, particularly in combating neglected tropical diseases. A recipient of the Padam Shri in 2019, Dr. Bharti earned national and international acclaim for developing a cost-effective dog bite treatment protocol—later adopted into WHO's global guidelines in 2018. Currently serving as Deputy Director of the National Health Mission, he continues to lead impactful research, particularly in the field of snakebite management. His latest appointment stands as a testament to his unwavering dedication and reinforces India's growing leadership in global health innovation and policy.

Drug smuggler arrested with 8.49 grams of 'Chitta'

ANIL KUMAR

HAMIRPUR: The Hamirpur Police have once again executed a major operation against drug traffickers.

Led by Inspector Kulwant Singh Rana, a police team laid a trap and arrested a young man found in possession of 8.49 grams of 'Chitta' (heroin).

The accused youth was transporting the consignment of drugs in a car. The police have also seized his vehicle.

According to information received from the police, they had received a confidential tip-off that a youth, a resident of Rohlvi, had set out towards the Tal area carrying a consignment of drugs in a car. Acting swiftly upon receiving this information, the police team demonstrated great alertness and set up a roadblock—while in plain clothes—near Bumana (Tal).

As soon as the smuggler's vehicle arrived at the spot, he attempted to flee upon spotting the police. Sensing the gravity of the situation, Inspector Kulwant Singh Rana reacted with agility; he drew his service revolver and aimed it directly at the car's tires. Witnessing this stern action by the police, the smuggler panicked severely. Terrified, he lost control of the vehicle, and the car veered off the road.

The police immediately rushed to the scene and apprehended the accused. The arrested youth has been identified as Ankur Thakur (37), son of Prakash Chand, a resident of Rohlvi, Thathwani, in District Hamirpur. The police have registered a case against the accused under the NDPS Act.

SP, Hamirpur, Balbir Singh Thakur said that the drugs recovered from the accused, along with the car, have been seized, and further legal proceedings are underway.

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Inter-state drug network busted in Shimla, SBI official among 6 arrested in NDPS case

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SHIMLA: In a significant breakthrough in an ongoing narcotics investigation, police in Jubbal area of Shimla district, in Himachal Pradesh have arrested sixth accused in connection with an NDPS case, further unravelling an inter-state drug trafficking network. According to official sources, an FIR (first information report) in the case was registered at Police Station Jubbal on February 10, under Sections 21 and 29 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. During the course of investigation, police established backward linkages leading to the arrest of Tarun Thakur (33), son of Narendra Thakur, a resident of village Chogatali in Rajgarh tehsil of Sirmaur district, on April 16. The accused, presently employed as a loan manager/field officer with State Bank of India (SBI) at Rohru, was apprehended under Section 29 of the NDPS Act for his alleged involvement in the illegal trade of heroin, locally known as 'chitta'. Preliminary investigation has revealed that the accused was actively engaged in the purchase and distribution of narcotic substances and maintained direct contact with the main supplier, identified as Lukas alias Lucky, a resident of Amritsar in Punjab.

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Roster system implemented by Cardiology Department at Tanda Medical College

SANJAY AGGARWAL
DHARAMSHALA: To enhance patient care services and reduce waiting times, the Cardiology Department at Dr. Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College, Tanda, has implemented a systematic roster system. Under the new roster, three consultants are deployed daily to ensure the smooth functioning of key services—such as Echocardiography, the Outpatient Department (OPD), and the Cath Lab. College Principal Dr. Milap stated that, further strengthening these services, a fourth consultant has resumed duties. This has resulted in an increase in the department's overall capacity and efficiency. He further noted that strict instructions have been issued to all concerned parties to ensure that there are no unnecessary delays in patient appointments. If a patient is assigned an appointment date scheduled more than a month in advance, they are advised to report the matter to the Medical Superintendent (MS) for appropriate action.

SSRVM Una honours Class 10 achievers in felicitation ceremony



KISHORI LAL BAINS
UNA: SSRVM organised a grand felicitation ceremony to honour students who delivered outstanding performance in the Class 10 board examinations for the 2025–26 session. Parents also participated enthusiastically in the event. Meritorious students were felicitated with garlands, ceremonial stoles and mementoes by managing director Sumesh Kumar Sharma. Principal Brij Bala Sharma and school manager Sakshi Sharma were present on the occasion. Addressing the gathering, Sumesh Kumar Sharma congratulated the students and encouraged them to aim higher in their academic journey. Principal Brij Bala Sharma expressed gratitude to teachers, parents and all contributors whose dedication helped students achieve excellent results.

SC rejects Pawan Khera's plea to extend transit bail, asks Assam Court to decide case independently

AGENCY
NEW DELHI, APR 17



The Supreme Court on Friday rejected Congress leader Pawan Khera's plea seeking to extend transit anticipatory bail, granted to him earlier by the Telangana High Court, till Tuesday on the ground of enabling him approach any jurisdictional court in Assam in the case where Khera is alleged to have made false allegations against the wife of Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma. A bench of Justices JK Maheshwari and Atul S Chandurkar, however, clarified its earlier order in which it has stayed one week's transit anticipatory bail granted to Khera by the Telangana High Court to the extent that the same will not have any adverse influence on the jurisdictional court which would decide over Khera's plea.The Court further clarified that neither the High Court order which granted Khera relief not the apex court order which stayed the relief shall come in the way of a court in Assam which would hear and decide the matter."The court deciding the application shall not be adversely influenced by any order granting transit bail or otherwise. This means that when an application seeking anticipatory bail is filed before the competent court, such court shall decide the plea on its own merits, uninfluenced by any prior order. In view of the above, the respondent is at liberty to approach the appropriate court. In case the court is not functioning, a request may be made to the court registry, and the same shall act in accordance with the law. With the aforesaid observations, the plea stands disposed of", the Court noted.This comes after Assam Police had approached the Supreme Court against Telangana High Court's decision to grant transit anticipatory bail for a period of one week from April 10, subject to the conditions. According to the bail order, Pawan Khera has to approach the competent jurisdictional Court in Assam and seek appropriate relief in accordance with the law.Telangana High Court granted one week's anticipatory bail to Khera in a case filed by Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma's wife, Riniki Bhuyan Sharma, in connection with allegations made over passport and property disclosures.He had alleged that CM Sarma's wife, Riniki Bhuyan Sarma, holds three passports, from India, the UAE, and Egypt, and owns undisclosed luxury properties in Dubai, along with a company in Wyoming, USA.The Sarma family has strongly denied these claims, terming the documents "AI-generated fabrications" circulated by Pakistani social media groups.

Uttar Pradesh on track to become hub for Solar Energy investment

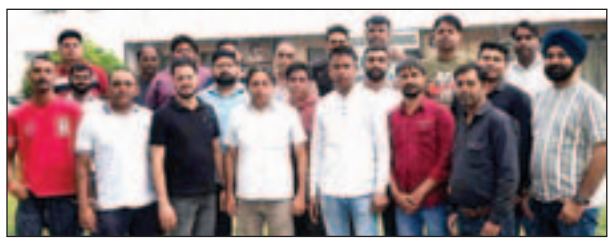


BUREAU
GORAKHPUR, APR 17

Taking a significant step toward establishing Uttar Pradesh as a major hub for clean energy investment, a pre-event awareness program for the 'Uttar Pradesh Energy Expo (UPEX) 2026' was organized today, Friday, at the Vikas Bhawan in Gorakhpur.This initiative is being organized by the UP State Chapter of the PHD Chamber of Commerce and 'First View,' in collaboration with UPNEDA (Uttar Pradesh New and Renewable Energy Development Agency), Invest UP—an agency of the Government of Uttar Pradesh—and 'SEWA.' It also enjoys the support of SIG Energy India, KEI Industries Ltd., Eram, Salasar Techno Engineering Ltd., and Fintex India.The primary focus of the program was the 'PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana' (PM Surya Ghar: Free Electricity Scheme). Industry representatives and government officials participated in the event, engaging in deliberations regarding emerging opportunities in the solar energy sector, the existing policy framework, and the growing potential for solar energy development within the state. Addressing the gathering, Satish Kumar Singh—District Development Officer (DDO), Gorakhpur, and Project Officer (UPNEDA), Gorakhpur—stated that promoting renewable energy is absolutely essential for the sustainable development of the state.

Supreme Court's decision will prove to be milestone for temporary employees: Gurdeep Tanwar

DALBIR SINGH MALIK
KURUKSHETRA, APR 17



The decision given by the Supreme Court on Thursday regarding regularisation of temporary employees was highly welcomed by Gurdeep Tanwar, President of Kaushal Rojgar Nigam of Kurukshetra University and termed it historic and the entire union executive expressed immense happiness. President Gurdeep Tanwar said that this decision would prove to be a milestone for the interests of temporary employees. He said that the way the Supreme Court has made it clear that the employees who have been serving for 10 years continuously have the full right to be regularised, in such a situation he immediately demanded from the government that the government should also regularise the employees working under Kaushal Rojgar Nigam who have completed their service for 10 years continuously and are still in service. He also demanded from the government that as per the decision of the Supreme Court, all the employees working under Haryana Skill Employment Corporation should be immediately given the benefit of equal pay for equal work so that they can run their livelihood smoothly. President Gurdeep Tanwar said that he would soon take a delegation along with him to Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Saini and submit his demand letter for the implementation of the above demands. On this occasion, President General Secretary Dinesh Kumar, Summary Ram Ashar Sharma, Major Tanwar, Rajiv Saini, Saheb Singh Pehwa, Ravi Batan, Pradeep Sharma, Kamal Saini, Sonu Pabnawa Suresh Bedi, Rajesh Bedi, Pawan Rang, Subham Kalyan, Mahipal Dhillon, Sanjay Sen, Sonu Mehla, Sukhwind Kadyan, Pradeep Road, Vikas Kashyap, Sonu Jamba, Vikas Saini, Gurdev Sharma.

Navyug Senior Secondary School students get 100% result in Class X



HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA: Navyug Senior Secondary School has been playing a leading role in field of education since 1981. Result of class 10th declared by CBSE was 100%. Students performed excellently in examination. Result of all students in class 10th was commendable. There was 65 subject wise merit. 12 students secured place in merit by scoring more than 80% marks, 23 students secured more than 75%, 29 students secured more than 70% and all other students secured more than 60% marks. Kartik Chhabra secured first position in school by scoring 94.2% marks, Kirti secured 2nd position by scoring 93.2% marks, Kumar Vansh secured 3rd position by scoring 93% marks and Kartik Kwatra secured 4th position by scoring 90.4% marks and Tania Gupta secured fifth position. Aastha, Avayjeet, Akshara, Sachin, Tania also secured place in merit. These students brought glory to school and family. On this occasion the Principal and teachers fed sweets to the students. School Director B.D. Gaba and all teachers heartily congratulated the students and their families for passing the board examination and wished them a bright future. School administrator Vikas Gaba, Principal Dr Devendra Arora, Headmistress Preeti Mishra, Co-ordinator Ritu Chaudhary, teachers Kalpana, Riya, Asha, Harinder, Rihana, Poonam, Pinky, Monica, Komal, Swati, Smriti, Reema, Parvesh, Renu, Geeta, Sneh, teachers Kiranjit, Jasmer.

Dabkhedi Maharaja Agrasen Senior Public School gets commendable results in exams



HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA: Class 10th examination results of Maharaja Agrasen Senior Public School, Dabkhedi operated under Shri Vaishya Agrawal Panchayat, were highly commendable. Overall result was 100%.Vishal Singla, President of Shri Vaishya Agrawal Panchayat, said that this result reflects hard work of students and the guidance of teachers. This year, 22 students achieved more than 75% marks and Krish achieved 90% marks, bringing honor to school. These excellent results have created an atmosphere of joy and enthusiasm within the school community. Singla blessed all students and wished them a bright future. He encouraged children to continue working hard and remain dedicated to their goals. He also assured students of all possible support and wished them well for their future endeavors. School Management Committee members Vishal Garg, Kulwant Garg, Gaurav Mittal, Jaipal Goyal, Yogesh Garg and Priyanka Singla, Neeraj Sandhu, Sweety Sharma, Veena Garg, Pinky Rani, Nisha Kumari, Sonia, Rachna Singh, Renu, Nancy etc. also congratulated all successful students and wished them a bright future.

DC Aparajita visits silos in Solu Majra village to take stock of wheat procurement

RANVIR PARASHAR
KAITHAL, APR 17



DC Aparajita visited the silo located in Solu Majra village on Friday afternoon and took stock of the wheat procurement process there. She spoke with farmers, silo officials, and procurement agency officials to know about the on-going wheat procurement process. She instructed officials to unload the wheat as quickly as possible to eliminate long lines of vehicles on the road. Furthermore, keeping in mind the weather, the DC also directed to expedite the lifting process from markets across the district. DC Aparajita arrived at the silo complex on Friday afternoon. She first spoke with farmers unloading wheat. She explained the process of emptying wheat-laden trolleys. Afterward, the DC held a meeting in her office to learn about the entire process. She said that the wheat to be brought to the silos from Dhand and PundriMandi should be brought and stored as soon as possible. She instructed the silo officials to take necessary steps to clear the wheat already stored there as soon as possible so that new wheat can be stored. The silo manager stated that the silos have space for storing 87,000 metric tons of wheat. The DC urged that trucks and trolleys parked on the road be unloaded as soon as possible. Farmers should not have to wait long. Unloading trolleys should take only as much time as technically necessary. Road queues should be cleared as soon as possible. The DC reviewed the entire process, from wheat entry at the entry gate to its arrival at the silos. She issued necessary instructions regarding timely payment to farmers and the provision of water and food for those bringing wheat.

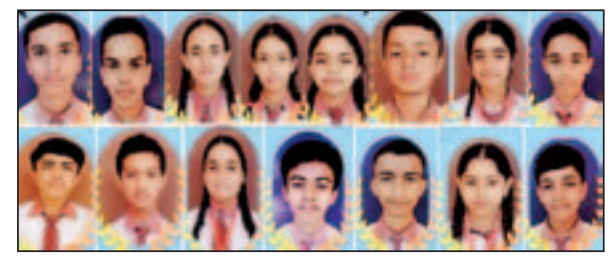
Two-day safety training program organised at Talwandi Sabo Power Limited

ISHWAR GARG
TALWANDI SABO, APR 17



Talwandi Sabo Power Limited (TSPL), Village Banawala, District Mansa, successfully organized a two-day Safety Training Program on 15th and 16th April 2026, aimed at strengthening safety awareness and emergency preparedness among employees and stakeholders. The program was inaugurated on 15th April 2026 by Shri Pankaj Sharma, CEO, TSPL Power Plant, along with Shri Vishal Singla, Deputy Director of Factories, Bathinda. Their presence highlighted the organization's strong commitment to maintaining the highest safety standards. The first day featured a series of insightful lectures by distinguished experts. Shri Devendra Singh, Ultra Tech Head Safety from Bathinda, provided Electrical Safety training on the importance of electrical measures implanted by industries including benchmarked safe practices. Dr. Parveen Mudgal, Senior Medical Officer from Guru Gobind Singh Refinery, emphasized the importance of occupational health and emergency medical response. Dr. Narinder Kumar Bassi, Deputy Chief Warden, Civil Defense Bathinda, delivered an informative session on disaster preparedness, while Shri Naresh Pathania from Red Cross Bathinda spoke about first aid and humanitarian response during emergencies. On 16th April 2026, the program included a practical demonstration conducted by NDRF personnel, involving trained members and officers. The demonstration covered rescue operations at height and ground level, providing participants with hands-on exposure to real-life emergency response techniques. The program concluded with a valedictory session led by Shri Pankaj Sharma and Shri Vishal Singla, who appreciated the active participation and emphasized the importance of continuous safety training.

Rose Public School Suliali records outstanding performance in Class 10th results



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SULIALI: The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has declared the annual Class 10th examination results for the academic session 2025-26. On this occasion, the result of Rose Public School Suliali has been highly commendable and outstanding. The students of the school achieved excellent marks, bringing pride to the school, parents, and the region. This year, Aryan Verma (94%) secured the first position. Besides him, Navneet Singh (91%), Sargam Pathania (91%), Anita Chauhan (90%), Namrata Sen (90%), Manav Pathania (87%), Ridhima Pathania (85%), Abhishek Sharma (85%), Harpreet Singh (84%), Suryansh (84%), Akritika (82%), Aniruddh Sharma (82%), Mohit (81%), Diksha Kumari (81%) and Sushant (80%) also delivered excellent performances and brought glory to the school. The school's Principal Mr. Sanjay Sharma Sauguni and Vice-Principal Mrs. Babita Sauguni extended heartfelt congratulations to all successful students, their parents, and the entire teaching staff on this achievement.

Saini Public School excels in Class 10 results



HANS RAJ
KURUKSHETRA: Students at Saini Public School have once again demonstrated excellent performance, achieving a 100% result in Class 10. A total of 120 students appeared for the exam this year, and all were successful. Of these, 45 students earned honors by securing a place on the merit list. School student Tripti secured first place with 96.4% marks. Aditya Parashar secured second place with 95.8% marks, and Simreet Kaur Chopra secured third place with 94.6% marks. Students also achieved outstanding performance in their subject-wise performance. Tripti, Simreet Kaur, Rijul Rathore, and Shanaya scored the highest marks in English, with 98. Aditya Parashar scored 98 in Hindi, and 90 in Mathematics. Simreet Kaur achieved a remarkable 94 in Science, while Tripti achieved a remarkable 99 in Social Science and 100 in Information Technology. School Principal Dr. Gurcharan Das heartily congratulated all students, parents and staff members on this excellent result and wished them a bright future.

Special teams of 170 officers formed for crop residue management in Indri block

MAINPAL KASHYAP
INDRI, APR 17



SDM Dr. Raman Gupta held a meeting in his office on Friday with officials of the Agriculture Department, Revenue Department, Panchayat Department, Electricity Corporation, Animal Husbandry Department, and other concerned officials to prevent incidents of burning of crop residue. He instructed the concerned officials to remain in the field and monitor the situation continuously. The SDM directed the officials to patrol the villages from time to time so that incidents of crop residue burning can be completely banned. He said that as per the guidelines of the Supreme Court and NGT, the government has set a target of zero burning of crop residue this year. He said that satellite technology was being used to monitor incidents of crop residue burning. Monitoring of fields has been started with the help of Harsek Haryana. He appealed to the farmers not to set fire to the stubble in the fields after harvesting the wheat crop, but to manage it properly. He said that burning crop residue pollutedtheir environment and also affected the yield and increased the cost of production and reduced income. Burning crop residue causes loss of nutrients. Burning crop residue causes loss of 100 per cent nitrogen and a lot of sulphur and along with this, organic matter gets destroyed. He said that burning crop residue produced carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, ash, methane and other impurities. This increases air pollution. At the meeting, Block Agriculture Officer Dr. Ashwani Kamboj stated that burning crop residue not only reduces the soil's fertility but also destroys beneficial insects on the soil's surface.

Crime Branch-1 team arrests accused with an illegal country-made pistol and two live cartridges

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, APR 17



A police spokesperson stated that Superintendent of Police Kamaldeep Goyal has issued strict instructions to the district police to crack down on those possessing illegal weapons. Acting under these instructions, a team from Crime Branch-1 arrested a young man with an illegal weapon. A case was registered against the accused under the Arms Act and he was produced in court and sent to judicial custody. The police are investigating the matter thoroughly. In-charge Rajkumar stated that his team received a tip-off that a young man was roaming around Bilaspur with an illegal weapon. Based on this information, a team consisting of ASIs Jagtar, Amarjeet, Pramod, Puneet, and Sushil was formed. The team immediately arrived at the scene and apprehended the young man. Upon searching him, a country-made pistol and two live cartridges were recovered. He was identified as Amit Kumar, son of Bhopal Singh, a resident of Bhagwanpur. A case was registered against the accused under the Arms Act and he was produced in court, where he was remanded to judicial custody. Police are also investigating his criminal record and whether he is affiliated with any criminal gang. Incharge Rajkumar stated that illegal weapons promoted crime and insecurity in society. The district police will not tolerate such crimes under any circumstances. He appealed to the public that if anyone has any information regarding the possession or purchase or sale of illegal weapons, they should immediately inform the police. The identity of the informant will be kept strictly confidential.

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Vanshika Rohilla secures 87% in Class 10, stands second in school

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
NEW DELHI: Vanshika Rohilla, a student of B.M. Bharti Model School, Rama Vihar, secured 87 per cent marks in the Class 10 board examinations, achieving the second position in her school.



Her performance has brought recognition to the school and joy among her family and well-wishers. Vanshika attributed her success to consistent hard work, discipline and focused effort.
Following the declaration of results, a celebratory atmosphere was witnessed on the school premises, with teachers and classmates congratulating her on the achievement.
School principal Neeta Kumari and staff expressed pride in Vanshika's accomplishment, stating that she has consistently been a meritorious student and completes every task with dedication. They added that she has excelled not only academically but also in conduct and values.

SEC appoints General, police and expenditure observers for MC polls

BUREAU
CHANDIGARH, APRIL 17

Haryana State Election Commissioner Sh. Devinder Singh Kalyan has announced the appointment of General, Police and Expenditure Observers to ensure that the upcoming local body elections scheduled for May 10 are conducted in a free, fair, transparent and peaceful manner, along with strict enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct.

The Commission has deployed senior IAS, IPS and HCS officers on "deemed deputation" and assigned them to Ambala, Panchkula, Sonipat and other concerned districts to monitor every stage of the election process.

These observers have been assigned responsibilities across three key categories to oversee all aspects of election management. General Observers, who are senior IAS/HCS officers, will function as representatives of the Commission at the ground level. They will supervise the randomization of EVMs and polling personnel, oversee the nomination process and scrutiny of nomination papers, ensure availability of basic facilities at polling stations, and directly report any irregularities or attempts to influence voters to the Commission.



Police Observers, who are senior IPS/HPS officers, will monitor law and order and security arrangements. They will assess the sensitivity of polling stations, review deployment of police forces and Home Guards, ensure strict enforcement of prohibitory orders on liquor and arms, and oversee the single-window system for granting permissions for rallies and use of loudspeakers.

Expenditure Observers, who are DETC officers, will work to curb the influence of money power in elections. They will monitor candidates' daily expenditure registers, coordinate with Static Surveillance Teams and Flying Squads to prevent movement of illegal cash or inducements, and ensure adherence to prescribed expenditure limits.

All these observers will remain deployed in their respective districts until the completion of the counting process on May 13, 2026. For the convenience of the public, the contact details of these observers along with their local addresses of stay will be published in local newspapers and on the websites of the respective district administrations. This will enable any citizen, candidate or public representative to directly approach the observers during designated public hearing hours to report violations of the Model Code of Conduct.

Swachh Bharat Mission vice-chairman orders immediate cleanup of garbage along NH-44 in Gharaunda

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
GHARAUNDA : Swachh Bharat Mission vice-chairman Subhash Chandra took strict cognisance of garbage piles along the service lane of National Highway 44 between Veer Rice Mill and Gharaunda toll plaza, directing immediate action to address public inconvenience.



Acting promptly, he summoned officials from the concerned departments to the spot, including municipal secretary Ravi Sharma, representatives of the National Highways department, Market Committee officials and the sanitation agency. During the inspection, Subhash Chandra expressed strong displeasure over the lapse and termed such negligence unacceptable.

He stated that maintaining cleanliness is a fundamental responsibility of the departments concerned and emphasised that the Swachh Bharat Mission must be reflected on the ground, not just on paper. He directed officials to ensure regular monitoring and prevent recurrence of such situations. He also instructed them to complete the cleanup immediately and submit photographic evidence of compliance. Following his intervention, a cleanliness drive was initiated on the spot and the removal of garbage began on a war footing. Officials assured that corrective measures would be taken to strengthen sanitation [illegible] in the area.

Local residents appreciated the swift action, stating that proactive leadership ensured quick resolution of the issue. They added that consistent administrative accountability can significantly improve urban cleanliness.

The intervention underscores ongoing efforts by the Swachh Bharat Mission to address civic issues at the grassroots level and enforce accountability among implementing agencies.

'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' historic step, women to gain right to empowered leadership: MLA Jamba

RANVIR PARASHAR
PUNDRI, APRIL 17



Commenting on the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' (106th Constitutional Amendment), Pundri MLA Satpal Jamba has described it as a historic decision with far-reaching implications in the country's democratic history. While lauding this legislation, he stated that it will ensure adequate representation for women in politics and empower them further within the decision-making process.Satpal Jamba noted that this Act, passed in September 2023, guarantees a 33 percent reservation for women in the Lok Sabha, State Legislative Assemblies, and the Delhi Legislative Assembly—marking a revolutionary stride toward women's empowerment.

MLA Jamba asserted that the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' is a historic initiative aimed at empowering the nation's 'Matri Shakti' (maternal power). It will provide women with opportunities for leadership, enabling them to play a more active role in nation-building.

Ensuring transparency and quality in every development project Corporation's responsibility: Suman Bahmani

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, APR 17

Yamunanagar Mayor Suman Bahmani and MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora laid the foundation stone on Friday for the Raja Garden revenue road project in Vishnu Nagar (Ward 19), which is being constructed at a cost of ₹15.04 lakh. Accompanied by Councillor Harjit Singh Anand, they formally inaugurated the road's construction work by breaking a coconut. They directed municipal officials to pay special attention to the quality of construction and to ensure that the work is completed within the stipulated time frame. During the event, the Mayor and the MLA congratulated the local residents on this development initiative. They stated that strengthening basic amenities in every ward of the city is a top priority for the Municipal Corporation. The construction of this revenue road will significantly facilitate commuting for local residents and resolve a long-standing issue.



Mayor Suman Bahmani noted that the Municipal Corporation is undertaking development projects across various parts of the city in a phased manner. She issued clear instructions to municipal officials that there must be absolutely no compromise on the quality of construction, and that the work must be completed within the designated deadline. She emphasized that it is the Corporation's responsibility to ensure both transparency and quality in every project funded by public money. Yamunanagar MLA Ghanshyam Das Arora affirmed that the state government and the Municipal Corporation are jointly committed to the holistic development of the city. Similar development projects will continue in the future, thereby further strengthening the city's infrastructure. Councillor Harjit Singh Anand expressed his gratitude to the Mayor and the MLA, stating that the construction of this road would provide immense relief to the residents of the area and ensure its overall development.

Measures to tackle potential flood threats discussed; Necessary directives Issued to officials: DC Preeti

RAHUL KOHLI
YAMUNANAGAR, APR 17

Deputy Commissioner Preeti convened a meeting with concerned officials at the auditorium of the Yamunanagar District Secretariat to review the preparations and arrangements being undertaken to tackle potential flood threats. These threats could arise during the monsoon season in the event of excessive rainfall in the catchment areas of the district's northern hilly regions. During the meeting, measures to address potential flooding were discussed, and necessary directives were issued to the officials. Addressing the officials present at the meeting, she emphasized that during times of disaster, the safety of life and property can be best ensured through mutual coordination. She noted that invaluable lives can be saved through a combination of courage, presence of mind, and efficiency. She directed the officials to identify locations prone to potential flooding and to establish robust arrangements to address them.



The Deputy Commissioner instructed the Executive Engineer of the Municipal Corporation and the Executive Engineer of the Public Health Department to formulate an action plan for the cleaning of drains and the sewerage system, ensuring that all such work is completed by May 15, 2026. She further directed the CEO of the Zila Parishad to ensure—through the Block Development and Panchayat Officers (BDPOs)—that village ponds and 'Amrit Sarovars' (water bodies) are cleaned to prevent water overflow during the rainy season. Deputy Commissioner Preeti instructed the officials to keep boats and divers, along with necessary resources, on standby to effectively handle the situation during a flood. She directed officials of the Irrigation Department to reinforce the protection of spurs.

Farewell given to MA, BA final year students



YAGYA DUTT SHASTRI
PEHOWA: A grand farewell party was held at DAV College, Pehowa, to bid farewell to final year MA and final year BA students. Hariom Agarwal was chief guest and Dr Nisha Sharma, Rajiv Singla, and Sadhna were present as special guests. Program began with lighting of lamps and Saraswati Vandana. Junior students then presented a colorful cultural program in honor of senior students. Program captivated everyone present. Principal Dr Sumanlata wished the students a bright future and said that discipline, hard work, and positive thinking are the keys to success in life. She encouraged the students to play an active role in building society and nation. On this occasion, "Mr. Farewell" and "Miss Farewell" were also selected, including Miss Farewell Aastha from the final year of MA, Mr. Farewell Deepak, Miss Beauty Srishti Sharma, Student of the Year Diksha, Mr. Handsome Rahul, Mr. Farewell Akshay from the final year of BA, Miss Farewell Happy, Student of the Year Manpreet, and Mr. Handsome Himanshu. Kury comprised Dr. Jyoti, Professor Sulekha, Anu and Amandeep, who selected winners based on participants' confidence, personality, and talent. The winners were honored. During the program, students shared memories of their college life, creating an emotional atmosphere. Finally, everyone greeted each other and wished for a bright future. Program was successfully conducted by Professor Ravindra Kumar and Professor Sukhbir. All the faculty and students were present on this occasion.

Brahmin community should reflect on its direction and status, says Rajkumar Sharma

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Senior advocate and former additional advocate general of Haryana Rajkumar Sharma said that the Brahmin community should introspect on its current social and political position.

Speaking to mediapersons, Sharma alleged that there are attempts to sideline the Brahmin community from mainstream politics. He claimed that leaders who rose to prominence with the support of the community are now working against its political participation.



He further stated that Brahmins, Vaishyas and Kshatriyas have historically supported the Bharatiya Janata Party, but are now being pushed to the margins. Referring to history, he said that during the Mughal period, Brahmins and Kshatriyas fought together for the country, and later the British attempted to create divisions among communities for their own interests.

Sharma emphasised that the Brahmin community has traditionally worked for the welfare of society and considers the world as one family. He described it as a foundational pillar of Sanatan culture and said it continues to work for social harmony.

He also remarked that any political party that has disrespected or marginalised the community has eventually faced decline. He urged Brahmin, Vaishya and Kshatriya communities to deliberate on their changing socio-political standing. Calling for unity and action, Sharma said the community has historically contributed through both knowledge and strength. He appealed for collective efforts on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Parashurama to work towards societal welfare. He also demanded that the government extend support and protection to the community.

Tribal culture event will be held on April 22 at Goenka Sadan in Devi Bhawan

MAHENDER GOYAL
HISAR, APRIL 17

Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram.which strives for all-round development of tribal families will organize a welcome ceremony and cultural program on April 22 at Goenka Sadan in Devi Bhawan. During program, girl students from Northeastern states will perform Bihu dance from Assam, dances based on culture of Nagaland and Tripura, yoga and martial arts. Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram held a meeting in Hisar to prepare for this program.Many dignitaries, including Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram's National Executive Member Rambabu Singal, State Secretary CA Ramniwas Agarwal, District President Sanjeev Arora, Pawan Rada, Ajay Saini, Parv Gupta, Jagdish Bansal, Bajrang, Ishwar Saini, Manish Bindal, Gaurav Singla, Sameer Sardana, and Ankush Saraf, were present at meeting.



District President Sanjeev Arora stated that Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram is committed to the welfare of Vanvasi brothers. Therefore, female students from northeastern states are receiving free education and training at the Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram hostel in Agra. These female students will be welcomed upon their arrival in Hisar on April 22nd during their Haryana tour, and will also introduce them to Vanvasi culture through a cultural program.

Sanjeev Arora said that social worker Rajendra Gupta will be the chief guest at the event and Satendra Singh, National President of Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram, will be the keynote speaker.

Balancing business and social service key to inclusive growth, say Krishan Chand Singla and Devender Singla

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAORI: Krishan Chand Singla, CMD of Janaki Das Rice Mill, along with Devender Singla, senior vice-president of the All India Rice Exporters Association, said that maintaining a balance between business and social service is essential for holistic societal development.

They stated that trade and industry form the backbone of economic growth, generating employment, facilitating exchange of goods and services, and contributing to GDP expansion. In a developing country like India, they noted, the growth of industries plays a critical role in strengthening the economy.



At the same time, they emphasised that social service is equally important, particularly in addressing the needs of weaker and marginalised sections of society. Efforts in areas such as education, healthcare, environmental protection and poverty alleviation help reduce inequality and ensure broader access to opportunities.

They acknowledged that achieving a balance between business and social responsibility comes with challenges, including financial constraints, limited awareness and resource gaps. However, these can be addressed through improved policies, greater awareness and stronger community participation. Highlighting the concept of social entrepreneurship, they said it offers a model where business practices are used to solve social problems while generating sustainable returns. They cited examples from India's corporate landscape where enterprises contribute positively to society alongside economic success. They concluded that while business drives economic progress, social service sustains ethical and human values. A balanced approach between the two is crucial for building a prosperous, inclusive and socially responsible society.

Educating children essential for nation's future, says Brij Bhushan Goyal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAORI: Industrialist and social worker Brij Bhushan Goyal, also known as Bobby Goyal, said that educating children is fundamental to securing the nation's future and driving long-term development. He said education forms the foundation on which a country's progress rests, adding that educated children grow into responsible citizens and future leaders who contribute to national growth. He emphasised that education is not limited to acquiring knowledge but is crucial for the overall development of an individual. Goyal noted that education equips individuals with the skills and understanding needed to achieve their goals, while also making them aware of their rights and responsibilities in society. He said an educated population plays a key role in building a progressive and prosperous nation.



Highlighting its broader impact, he added that education improves economic conditions, enabling individuals to contribute more effectively to their families and society. He reiterated that children who receive proper education go on to become professionals such as scientists, engineers, doctors and teachers, thereby strengthening the nation's future. He called for collective efforts to ensure that every child has access to education, stating that investing in education is essential for building a developed and self-reliant country.

Silver Oak International School achieves 100 pc pass rate in class 10

SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL, APRIL 17

Silver Oak International School, Kaithal, takes immense pride and pleasure in announcing that its Class 10 students (Session 2025-26) have delivered a stellar performance, achieving a 100% pass rate. This success stands as an exemplary testament to the students' hard work, the support of their parents, and the dedication of their teachers.Among the school's meritorious students, Mannat Athwal brought glory to the institution by securing the first position with 96.8% marks. She was followed by Aryan Dhull in the second position with 96.6%, Devanshi in the third position with 96.4%, Vanshdeep in the fourth position with 95.2%, and Himanshi in the fifth position with 94.8%. Additionally, Yuvika scored 94%, Ekampreet 93.8%, Ritika 93%, Anvi 92.8%, Chakshit 92.8%, Pratyush 92.6%, Dhruv 92.2%, Yasmin 91.6%, and Abhiraj 90.6%. All these students are true scholars of the school who have set a high benchmark for success through their perseverance and diligence. In this context, it is noteworthy that Mannat Athwal, Aryan Dhull, and Himanshi secured a perfect score of 100 marks in AI (Artificial Intelligence), while Aryan Dhull achieved a perfect score of 100 marks in Mathematics.



The school's Chairperson, Dr. Sonali Chaudhary, extended her heartfelt congratulations to all the students, stating that success is the culmination of continuous effort, discipline, and unwavering determination. A special assembly was organised, during which the school's Director, Ms. Eva Mehta, extended her warm congratulations to the students on their outstanding Board examination results. On this occasion, Principal Renu Aneja apprised everyone of the various streams available for Class 11. She explained that while the school previously operated up to Class 10, Class 11 has been introduced starting this academic year in response to the demands of the parents.

Follow the path of truth, non-violence and humanity, says Ravindra Singla



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
TARAORI: Ravindra Singla, CMD of Shri Ram Rice Unit, along with Vijay Singla and Sanjay Singla, said that values such as religion, truth, non-violence and humanity are essential for leading a meaningful and peaceful life.
They said life is a journey filled with challenges, and adhering to these principles helps individuals attain inner peace, happiness and fulfilment. Emphasising the role of moral values, they said religion guides individuals towards truth and justice, enabling them to live purposeful lives and contribute positively to society. Ravindra Singla stated that truth provides inner strength and earns trust and respect, while non-violence teaches respect for life and promotes harmony and social well-being. He added that these values inspire individuals to work towards societal improvement. Highlighting the importance of humanity, the speakers said it instils compassion, empathy and a sense of responsibility towards others. They urged people to uphold truth and justice in their actions to lead a meaningful life. They concluded that adopting the path of truth, non-violence and humanity leads to personal fulfilment and social progress, encouraging individuals to contribute towards a more compassionate and harmonious society.

Values of culture, education and service essential to guide youth, say Vijay and Krishna Goyal

SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL, APRIL 17



Industrialist and social worker Vijay Goyal, along with Krishna Goyal, said that values such as culture, education and service are fundamental in shaping individuals and society, and are crucial for guiding the younger generation in today's time.

They said cultural values instil moral principles such as truth, non-violence, respect and a sense of duty, which help individuals lead a disciplined and meaningful life. These values, they added, strengthen social bonds and make individuals more responsible and sensitive towards society.

Highlighting the importance of education, they said it equips individuals with knowledge and skills necessary for both personal and social development. Education enhances awareness, helps distinguish right from wrong and opens new opportunities in professional life, contributing to overall societal progress.

On service, the speakers emphasised that it fosters empathy and compassion, promoting unity and social harmony. They noted that service-oriented efforts play a vital role in supporting weaker sections of society and contribute significantly to sectors such as education, healthcare and environmental protection.

They further said that youth should be encouraged to adopt these values through collective efforts by families, schools and society. Participation in initiatives such as National Service Scheme and National Cadet Corps can help inculcate a spirit of service and discipline among young people.

They concluded that a balanced integration of culture, education and service can help build responsible, ethical and sensitive citizens, ultimately contributing to nation-building and social development.

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Opinion

It is better to be violent, if there is violence in our hearts, than to put on the cloak of nonviolence to cover impotence.

Mahatma Gandhi

EDITORIAL

India expands evacuation, assistance amid regional strain

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) on Thursday said it is closely monitoring the evolving situation in the Gulf and West Asia region, with sustained efforts underway to ensure the safety, security and welfare of Indian nationals amid the ongoing geopolitical tensions.

At an official briefing, the MEA said dedicated control rooms have been set up and are functioning round-the-clock in coordination with Indian missions abroad. The Ministry is also in regular contact with State Governments and union Territories to ensure seamless information sharing and coordinated response.

Indian Missions and Posts in the region have activated 24x7 helplines and are extending proactive assistance to Indian nationals, while maintaining close engagement with local authorities. Regular advisories are being issued to keep citizens informed about local regulations, travel updates, flight operations and available consular services.

Officials said missions are actively engaging with the Indian diaspora, including community associations, professional groups and Indian companies, to address concerns and provide support. Special assistance is also being extended to Indian crew members on vessels operating in the region, including coordination with local agencies and facilitation of repatriation requests.

Despite disruptions in some areas, flight operations between India and several countries in the region continue, depending on airspace availability and safety considerations. Since February 28, around 10.1 lakh passengers have travelled from the region to India.

In the United Arab Emirates, limited non-scheduled commercial flights are operating, with around 100 flights expected between the UAE and India on Thursday. Flights are also operating from Saudi Arabia and Oman, while Qatar Airways is expected to run about 10 services to India with partial reopening of its airspace.

Kuwait's airspace remains closed, with airlines operating special flights from Dammam in Saudi Arabia to India. Bahrain has initiated limited operations, and Iraq is maintaining restricted flight connectivity for onward travel.

The MEA further said evacuation and transit efforts are ongoing from affected areas. The Indian Embassy in Tehran has facilitated the movement of 2,348 Indian nationals from Iran to Armenia and Azerbaijan for onward travel to India, including a large number of students and fishermen.

In Israel, where airspace remains partially open, Indian nationals are being assisted to travel via Jordan and Egypt for return to India.

Shifting Power Equations: Iran's leverage vs US credibility



The current stand-off between the United States and Iran has moved beyond a conventional strategic contest. It reflects a structural deadlock where both sides are holding positions that cannot be sustained for long.

The United States continues to rely on financial restrictions, control over international channels, and pressure through sanctions. Iran has responded with a refusal to renegotiate on nuclear conditions and by strengthening its reliance on geographical leverage, particularly around the Strait of Hormuz.

This has created a situation where neither escalation nor prolonged pause offers a viable outcome. The two-week ceasefire window reflects tactical adjustment rather than strategic clarity. It has slowed immediate confrontation but has not addressed the underlying disconnect between pressure and outcome.

The most immediate and visible impact of the present blockage is on global energy flows. Even the perception of disruption linked to Hormuz has introduced volatility in oil markets. Prices have shown upward pressure, and supply chains have become uncertain. The consequences are being felt across sectors and geographies.

The burden is not limited to state actors. Farmers, transport sectors, and small industries are facing rising input costs. Petroleum and gas prices are directly feeding into inflation. This is slowing economic activity at a time when global recovery remains uneven. The impact is particularly severe in energy-dependent economies.

Asian countries remain at the centre of this disruption. A significant portion of Iranian oil flows is directed towards Asia, especially China and India. Any uncertainty in these flows creates immediate pressure on industrial output, logistics planning, and long-term energy security frameworks. The present situation, therefore, extends far beyond a regional issue.

Another dimension that has emerged is the increasing use of financial and trade mechanisms as instruments of strategic control. The ability to block or influence international channels without wider multilateral alignment is creating a new precedent in global economic governance.

This has implications beyond the current conflict. It introduces concerns regarding the concentration of control in global systems and the vulnerability of dependent economies. The present situation is being closely observed by multiple countries as it defines the future balance between national power and multilateral processes.

For Iran, these restrictions have deepened economic strain. For other countries, particularly in Asia, it has raised questions about the reliability and predictability of global trade frameworks.

The assumption that military or coercive pressure alone can deliver political outcomes has not held. Tactical gains have not translated into structural advantage. The Iranian position has not weakened in political terms. Instead, it has adapted by shifting the focus from conventional deterrence to economic disruption through geography.

The Strait of Hormuz has now become central to Iran's strategic thinking. It provides a lever that connects regional tensions to global consequences. This shift has altered the nature of leverage in the current stand-off.

At the same time, the United States retains influence through institutional systems and alliances. However, the effectiveness of this influence is being tested when outcomes do not align with intent.

The present phase indicates that bilateral engagement alone is insufficient. The gap between positions is too wide to be bridged without credible intermediaries. Direct negotiation remains necessary, but it requires facilitation that carries trust on both sides.

There are indications of parallel channels and exploratory discussions through third parties. While details remain unclear, it is evident that engagement is continuing in indirect forms. This reflects recognition on both sides that complete disengagement is not an option.

The reference to mediation by external actors such as Russia, China, and potentially India reflects the emerging need for balanced interlocutors who understand both strategic and regional sensitivities.

The current situation has exposed the limited role played by immediate regional stakeholders in shaping outcomes. West Asia continues to bear the consequences of decisions taken beyond the region. This imbalance cannot continue if stability is to be restored.

Countries with direct stakes in energy flows, diaspora presence, and economic linkages must assume a more active role. India's position becomes relevant in this context due to its longstanding engagement with Iran, its economic exposure to the region, and its broader strategic balance.

At the same time, over-reliance on limited intermediaries does not provide a durable framework. A wider grouping of countries with credibility across both sides is required to create space for structured engagement.

The responsibility for de-escalation cannot be diffused indefinitely. Any party that initiates or expands a conflict carries a proportionate responsibility to stabilise it. Temporary pauses do not substitute for long-term arrangements.

Iran's internal pressures in terms of economic loss and societal impact also require attention. Its long-term positioning depends on balancing strategic assertion with economic recovery. The United States, similarly, faces the need to align its pressure mechanisms with achievable outcomes.

Around 10.10 lakh passengers have travelled to India since February 28 amid West Asia tensions



The government continues to take necessary steps to ensure preparedness and smooth functioning across key sectors amid the evolving situation in West Asia, the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas said.The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas is taking steps to ensure the uninterrupted availability of petroleum products and LPG across the country, in the context of the ongoing situation involving the Strait of Hormuz. Despite the ongoing geopolitical situation, the Government has ensured that 100% supply is being made to Domestic LPG, Domestic PNG and CNG (Transport).For commercial LPG, priority has been given to hospitals and educational institutions. Besides this, priority has also been given to pharma, steel, automobile, seed, agriculture, etc. In addition to this, the supply of 5 Kg FTL to migrant labour is also doubled based on the average daily supply on 2nd and 3rd March 2026, the ministry further said.

The Government has already implemented several rationalisation measures on both the supply and demand side, including enhancing refinery production, increasing the booking interval from 21 to 25 days in urban areas and up to 45 days in rural areas and prioritising sectors for supply.Alternate fuels such as kerosene and coal have been made available to ease pressure on LPG demand.The Ministry of Coal has directed Coal India and Singareni Collieries to supply additional coal to States for distribution to small and medium consumers. States have been advised to facilitate new PNG connections for domestic and commercial consumers. Moreover, all refineries are operating at high capacity with adequate crude inventories, while sufficient stocks of petrol and diesel are being maintained.

Furthermore, necessary measures have been put in place to safeguard Indian vessels and seafarers operating in the region by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.The Ministry stated that it continues to coordinate with the Ministry of External Affairs, Indian Missions and maritime stakeholders to ensure seafarer welfare and uninterrupted maritime operations.All Indian seafarers in the region are safe, and no incident involving Indian-flagged vessels has been reported in the past 24 hours. The DG Shipping Control Room has handled 6,580 calls and more than 13,719 since activation. 131 calls and 276 emails have been received in the past 24 hours, a release further stated.DG Shipping has facilitated the safe repatriation of over 2,417 Indian seafarers so far, including 80 in the past 24 hours from various locations across the Gulf region. Port operations across India remain normal with no congestion reported.The Ministry of External Affairs continues to monitor developments in the Gulf and West Asia region, with focused efforts on ensuring the safety, security and welfare of the Indian community in the region, a release read.It was informed that the dedicated special control rooms in the Ministry of External Affairs are operational and are working in coordination with Indian missions. The Ministry of External Affairs is in regular contact with State Governments and Union Territories for the sharing of information and better alignment of efforts.Meanwhile, flights continue to operate from countries where airspace remains open. Since 28 February,

Smart metring gains momentum in India

India's smart metering push is gathering pace as Polaris Smart Metering Private Limited has secured USD 80 million (around Rs 7,10 crore) in financing from British International Investment (BII), aimed at accelerating deployment of advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) in the country.The funding will support the installation of over 2.2 million smart meters in West Bengal, reinforcing the growing role of digital infrastructure in modernising India's power distribution sector.The development comes at a time when India is undertaking a large-scale transition toward a more efficient and technology-driven power ecosystem. Smart metering is emerging as a critical enabler in addressing long-standing issues such as high aggregate technical and commercial (AT&C) losses, billing inefficiencies, and limited grid visibility.

Under the Government of India's Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS), the country has set an ambitious target of installing 250 million smart meters by 2027, signalling a



structural shift toward data-driven energy management.Increased capital inflows into the sector reflect strong investor confidence in India's smart metering opportunity. The latest financing is expected to further strengthen AMI adoption, improve billing accuracy, enhance operational efficiency, and boost transparency for consumers.Smart meters are also expected to play a pivotal role in enabling renewable energy integration by providing real-time data, improving load management, and supporting a more resilient grid.With utilities under pressure to improve financial sustainability and service delivery, the outlook for smart metering in India remains robust, driven by policy support, rising demand for digital solutions, and growing participation from private players.The investment underscores the broader trend of scaling smart infrastructure as India advances toward a cleaner, more reliable, and technology-enabled energy future.

Study finds out why bread can cause weight gain without extra calories



Bread and other carbohydrate staples may be doing more than just filling plates--they could be quietly reshaping metabolism. In a surprising twist, researchers found that mice strongly preferred carbs like bread, rice, and wheat, abandoning their regular diet entirely. Even without eating more calories, they gained weight and body fat, not because they overate, but because their bodies burned less energy.

Bread has long been a dietary cornerstone, sustaining societies for generations. It is deeply woven into everyday life. But with obesity rates continuing to climb, researchers are beginning to question whether this reliance on staple carbohydrates still makes sense in modern diets.Obesity increases the risk of many lifestyle-related diseases, making prevention a major public health priority. Traditionally, research has focused on high fat consumption as the main driver of weight gain. This is why many animal studies rely on high fat diets.

However, carbohydrates such as bread, rice, and noodles are consumed daily around the world, yet their role in obesity and metabolism has not been explored as thoroughly.While many people believe that "bread makes you gain weight" or that "carbohydrates should be limited," it has been unclear whether the issue lies in the foods themselves or in how people choose and consume them.

Study Explores Carb Preference and Metabolic EffectsTo better understand these questions, a research team led by Professor Shigenobu Matsumura at Osaka Metropolitan University's Graduate School of Human Life and Ecology studied how carbohydrates influence eating behavior and metabolism in mice.The researchers examined whether mice preferred foods like wheat, bread, and rice over standard chow, and how these choices affected body weight and energy use. The animals were divided into several feeding groups, including Chow, Chow + Bread, Chow + Wheat flour, Chow + Rice flour, High-fat diet (HFD) + Chow, and HFD + Wheat flour. The team tracked changes in body weight, energy expenditure, blood metabolites, and liver gene expression. Carb Preference Linked to Weight Gain Without More Calories The findings showed that mice strongly favored carbohydrate-rich foods and stopped eating their standard chow altogether. Even though their total calorie intake did not increase significantly, both body weight and fat mass went up.Mice that consumed rice flour gained weight in a similar way to those that ate wheat flour. In contrast, mice given a High-fat diet (HFD) + Wheat flour gained less weight than those on a High-fat diet (HFD) + Chow."These findings suggest that weight gain may not be due to wheat-specific effects, but rather to a strong preference for carbohydrates and the associated metabolic changes," said Professor Matsumura. Slower Energy Use May Drive Weight GainThe team also used indirect calorimetry with respiratory gas analysis to better understand energy use. The results showed that weight gain was not caused by "overeating," but by a reduction in energy expenditure. Further analysis revealed higher levels of fatty acids in the blood and lower levels of essential amino acids. In the liver, fat accumulation increased, along with the activity of genes linked to fatty acid production and lipid transport.

Perfect 100 & more: PhysicsWallah students record success at CBSE Class 10 Board examinations 2026

ROHTAK : Today marked a day of celebration for education company PhysicsWallah (PW) as several of its students emerged as high scorers in the CBSE Class 10 Board Examinations 2026, amongst whom were students who scored a perfect 100 per cent. Among the top performers were Vaibhav Arora from Fazilka, Punjab, Amolik Pandita from Ahmedabad, Gujarat and Ayusman Mohapatra from Bhubaneswar, Odisha, who scored 100 per cent marks, securing top rank in the country. Furthermore, PW Vidyapeeth, the tech-enabled offline centres of PhysicsWallah, hosted a felicitation ceremony in Rohtak. PW students from the city who performed well in the CBSE Class 10 Board Examinations 2026 were felicitated. Among the high performers were Aarush (98.40%), Akshit (97.20%) and Krishna (97%).Sharing their experiences, Vaibhav Arora said,



"Consistent preparation, regular practice, and guidance from school and PW teachers helped me to aim for and achieve a perfect score." Amolik Pandita highlighted, "It was regular revision and solving sample papers that played a key role in helping me score 100%." Ayusman Mohapatra added, "Staying disciplined and following a structured study plan made it possible for him to secure full marks."

Coke Studio Bharat's 'Bulleya Ve' Brings Bulleh Shah's Legacy to a New Generation

CHANDIGARH/LUDHIANA: After striking a chord with its Season 4 opener Ae Ajnabee, Coke Studio Bharat returns with its second release, Bulleya Ve, a track that leans into one of the most profound human truths: sometimes, the hardest journey is the one back from your own ego. Shantanu Gangane, IMX (Integrated Marketing Experience) Lead, Coca-Cola India and Southwest Asia, said, "Music in India has always carried stories of self-discovery. With Bulleya Ve, Coke Studio Bharat brings alive a journey, where the battle is not with the world, but within. Inspired by Bulleh Shah's timeless poetry, the track explores how distance, silence and humility shape the path back to connection. Ashok Maskeen's powerful voice, Madhur Sharma's emotional restraint and Swarit Shukl's minimal, immersive production come together to create something intimate. This is a story that has lived for generations, now finding a new voice with today's music fans."



IIT Mandi Invites Applications for Its First 2-Month Multi-Track Summer Residential Programme 'HIMSHIKHAR 2026'

CHANDIGARH : The Indian Institute of Technology Mandi (IIT Mandi), one of India's leading IITs, through its Centre for Continuing Education (CCE), invites applications for its first 2–month summer residential programme, HIMSHIKHAR 2026. The programme is designed to equip students and young professionals with industry aligned skills in emerging technologies and entrepreneurship, while bridging the gap between academia and industry.The programme offers an immersive on-campus experience, enabling parti

of tutorial sessions conducted by PhD scholars, and 40 hours of sessions delivered by industry experts.
Five Specialized Tracks Across Emerging Technologies:1. Software Development with AI: Focuses on building intelligent applications by c
concepts of AI and ML to develop systems that can analyse data, learn patterns and solve real world challenges.3. Agentic AI Systems: Introduces autonomous AI systems that can independently perform tasks and make decisions in dynamic environments.4. Data
Entrepreneurship & Venture Building: Develops entrepreneurial skills, focusing on start-up ideation, business model creation, and innovation-driven growth. Speaking on the launch, Prof. Tushar Jain, Head of the Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) at IIT Mandi, said, "HIMSHIKHAR 2026 programme combines academic rigor, national skilling infrastructure, and outcome-driven training for
who understand industry demands."

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

(1)SH. PANKAJ VAID S/O LATE SH. BHARAT VAID AND (II)SH.PUNEET VAID S/O LATE SH. BHARAT VAID, have approached to the Chandigarh Housing Board for the issuance of Duplicate copy of Allotment letter, Possession Letter, and No Due Certificate, in respect of Dwelling Unit No. 2174/2 Sector-45-C, Chandigarh due to loss of this document. He has also furnished DDR. In PS:17 Serial no 232166 LAR No. 2025/037023 registered with Chandigarh Police on dated **28/11/2025,** regarding the loss of above said document. Any person having any objection, against the issuance of duplicate copy of Allotment letter, Possession Letter, and No Due Certificate, in respect of the above said Dwelling Unit to the said.He/She should file the objection before the undersigned in writing within 15 days from the publication of this notice, failing which the documents shall be issued. Further, in case original documents as mentioned above are found by anyone, the same should be submitted in the above noted Police Station or in the office of the undersigned.

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No **608-1** of Category-LIG, Sector 40-A, Chandigarh on the basis of Transfer Deed in the name of **SH. SUNIL SACHDEVA S/O SH. CHAMAN LAL SACHDEVA** from the name of allottee/transferee **SH. CHAMAN LAL SACHDEVA S/O LATE SH. NIHAL CHAND.**

(FROM FATHER TO SON)

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No.**608-1** of Category-LIG, Sector 40-A, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee **SH. CHAMAN LAL SACHDEVA S/O LATE SH. NIHAL CHAND.** It has been reported by **SH. SUNIL SACHDEVA S/O SH. CHAMAN LAL SACHDEVA** who has applied for transfer of ownership right in respect of said Dwelling Unit in her name on the basis of Transfer Deed which was Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on **23.03.2026.**

If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh



PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject:- Mutation/Transfer of allotment/ Registration of Ownership in respect of DU No.**3919** of Category-LIG, Sector 47-D, Chandigarh in the name of **SH. SUBHASH CHANDER S/O LATE SH. DARSHAN LAL CHAWLA** from the name of allottee/transfree **SMT. SHANTI DEVI CHAWLA (SHANTI DEVI) W/O LATE SH. DARSHAN LAL CHAWLA (DARSHAN LAL),** on the basis of Registered WILL.

It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that **SH. SUBHASH CHANDER S/O LATE SH. DARSHAN LAL CHAWLA** after the death of allottee/transferee **SMT. SHANTI DEVI CHAWLA (SHANTI DEVI) W/O LATE SH. DARSHAN LAL CHAWLA (DARSHAN LAL),** has applied to Chandigarh Housing Board for transfer the DU No.**3919** of Category-LIG, Sector 47-D, Chandigarh in his favour, as **SMT. SHANTI DEVI CHAWLA (SHANTI DEVI) W/O LATE SH. DARSHAN LAL CHAWLA (DARSHAN LAL)** expired on dated **13.09.2025** at **CHANDIGARH** and left behind a WILL which was Registered with Sub Registrar, UT Chandigarh on **28.07.2014,** in his favour.. He has further stated that the WILL of the deceased allottee/transferee is the last WILL executed by her which has neither superseded nor cancelled till the death of the deceased.

If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant(s), he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the registration and allotment of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh



PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject:- Transfer/Mutation of **50% share of** Allotment/Registration of DU **No.3245** of Category-LIG, Sector 47-D, Chandigarh in the name of **SH. MADAN PAL S/O SH. SULEKH CHAND (HAVING 50% SHARE)** on the basis of Un-Registered WILL of allottee/transferee **SMT. MAMTA W/O SH. MADAN PAL (HAVING 50% SHARE).**

It is hereby notified for the information that **SH. MADAN PAL S/O SH. SULEKH CHAND (HAVING 50% SHARE)** has applied for the transfer of **50% share** of DU **No.3245** of Category-LIG, Sector 47-D, Chandigarh in his name, after the death of its co-owner **SMT. MAMTA W/O SH. MADAN PAL (HAVING 50% SHARE)** on the basis of Un-Registered WILL as **SMT. MAMTA W/O SH. MADAN PAL (HAVING 50% SHARE)** has expired on dated **07.12.2020** at **CHANDIGARH** and left behind Un-Registered WILL dated **09.12.2019** in his favour. He has further stated that the WILL of deceased allottee is the last WILL executed by her in full senses which has neither superseded nor cancelled till the death of the deceased and all the legal heir(s) of the deceased co-allottee/transferee **SMT. MAMTA W/O SH. MADAN PAL i.e. (i) Smt. Shivani Keer (Daughter) & (ii) Sh. Shubham Lahoty (Son)** have submitted the affidavit regarding No Objection Certificate in favour of **SH. MADAN PAL S/O SH. SULEKH CHAND.**

If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 21 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the registration and allotment of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

E-TENDER DOCUMENT FOR SUPPLY OF HOSPITAL LABORATORY ITEMS FOR HEALTH INSTITUTIONS OF PANGI DISTRICT CHAMBA HP FOR THE YEAR 2026 AND 2027

(Office of the Block Medical Officer Pangi at Killar District Chamba) Phone:01897242246, Fax: Website: https://www.hptenders.gov.in Email:(bmokillar@gmail.com)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (NIT)

No. HFW-PNG(A)Purchase/2026-2027-546 **Dated:-10/04/2026**

E-tenders are invited from original Manufactures, Rate contract, Authorized Distributors / Dealers, /firm Company/ Corporation/Cooperative Society or any legal entity for the supply of lab material for general lab **(laboratory items, chemicals, glassware, plasticware), and equipment for the CH Killar (Pangi) Distt. Chamba HP.** Prescribed tender form can be downloaded from website **https://www.hptenders.gov.in** on or before last date and time for submission of tender.

The Last date and time for submission & uploading of filled in tender documents is 16.04.2026 to 29.04.2026 upto 12:00PM. The Tender will be opened on 29.04.2026 at 03:00PM

The duly completed tender form along with cost of tender document Rs. 3000/- (Rupees Three thousand only) be deposited in RKS Account (Account No.- 30595033738, IFSC Code- SBIN0006990, Bank Name-State Bank of India, Branch Killar (Pangi) and Earnest Money Deposit of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) in the form Demand draft or Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) duly pledged in favour of Block Medical Officer,Pangi at Killar District Chamba issued by any of the Scheduled Bank along with other required documents should be uploaded on the website **https://www.hptenders.gov.in.** The documents and receipt of tender cost uploaded by the bidders on above said website shall only be accepted and in no case tender will be accepted in offline mode. The proof of deposit should be uploaded on the website **https://www.hptenders.gov.in,** in the Technical Bid.

All subsequent corrigendum, modifications and clarifications in respect of this tender will be published only on the website **https://www.hptenders.gov.in.** The bidders are advised to visit the aforesaid website regularly. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tender offers without assigning any reason at any stage, whatsoever.

Block Medical Officer
Pangi at Killar

DPR-HP-0396/2026-2027

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
(A Chandigarh Administration Undertaking)
8, JAN MARG, SECTOR 9-D, CHANDIGARH

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for the General Public that the following person(s) have applied for Permission for the Gift/Sale/Purchase of Dwelling Unit in their names under Regulation of the Chandigarh Housing Board (Allotment, Management and Sale of Tenements) Regulations 1979:-

Sr. No.	NAME OF THE PURCHASER	NAME OF THE SELLER	D.U. NO.	CATEGORY	SECTOR
1	SMT. NEHA NEGI W/O SH. SUNIL SINGH RAWAT	(i)SMT. AARTI JUNEJA D/O LATE SH. TILAK RAJ KAPOOR, W/O MANMOHAN SH. KUMAR JUNEJA (II) SMT. POOJA ANAND D/O LATE SH. TILAK RAJ KAPOOR, W/O SH. PANKAJ ANAND (III)SMT. SHALINI ARORA D/O LATE SH. TILAK RAJ KAPOOR, W/O SH. VINAY ARORA & (IV)SH. KARAN KAPOOR S/O LATE SH. TILAK RAJ KAPOOR	3154-2	MIG -II	44-D, CHANDIGARH
2	SH. SANDEEP MITTAL S/O SH.DHARAM PAL MITTAL	SMT. USHA RANI W/O SH. BALWANT RAI MEHRA	2832-2	LIG	47-C, CHANDIGARH
3	SH. APURV S/O SH. SUDHIR KUMAR CHAUDHARY	SH. H.S. SANDHU (HARJINDER SINGH SANDHU) S/O LATE SH. S.S. SANDHU (SANGAT SINGH SANDHU)	465-A	MIG	61, CHANDIGARH

In case anybody has any objection for the Sale/Purchase in respect of above said dwelling Unit he/she may submit the objection, if any, in writing within 21 days of the publication of this notice before the undersigned alongwith documentary evidence, if any.

SECRETARY
CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD,
CHANDIGARH

CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OF EXCISE & TAXATION

Notice for inviting e-tenders for allotment of licences for Retailsale Vends (L-2/L-14A) from the general public for the year 2026-27 in U.T. Chandigarh

1. It is hereby notified for the information of general public that e-tenders are invited for the grant of remaining one retail sale i.e. L-2/L-14A licences in the form of licensing units for the Excise Policy, 2026-27 (commencing from 1st April, 2026 to 31th March 2027). Each Licensing Unit will comprise L-2/L-14A (Indian Made Foreign Liquor, Imported Foreign Liquor and Country Liquor) under one roof. There will be **Three (03)** licensing unit across the entire city and e-tenders shall be invited individually for all the licensing units.
2. The Retailsale vends shall be allotted to the highest eligible bidder, quoting equal to or above the reserve price of the licensing unit. In case of more than one bid quoting the same highest price is received, the allotment shall be determined by draw of lots among the bidders quoting the same highest price.
3. All willing participants may visit the official website of the department i.e. **www.etdut.gov.in/exciseonline** for information/ to know the procedure. The detailed procedure for e-tenders and submission of participation fee and earnest money, in accordance with the Excise Policy 2026-27, is available on the official website of the department i.e. **www.etdut.gov.in/exciseonline** as well as in the Excise Office of the Department.
4. In order to submit e-bids, every prospective bidder is required to get himself registered at **https://etenders.chd.nic.in.**
5. The terms & conditions and the detailed List mentioning localities/sectors of Licensing Units Code, permissible no. of vends/ retail sale outlet, quota and reserve price can be downloaded from the official website of the Excise & Taxation Department i.e. **www.etdut.gov.in/exciseonline** from 'Public Notices' section.
6. All licenses shall be granted subject to the Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (as applicable to U.T., Chandigarh) and the Rules framed there-under and the Excise Policy for the year 2026-27. The Excise Policy for the year 2026-27 is available on the official website of the Department **www.etdut.gov.in/exciseonline**
7. E-tenders will be available at **https://etenders.chd.nic.in** on 18.04.2026 at 12:00 Noon and the bidders may start to submit their bids from 18.04.2026 (12:00 noon).

Schedule of dates for allotment of liquor vends:-

Starting date and time for bid submission	From 18th April 2026 (12:00 Noon)
Closing date and time for bid submission	Till 22nd April, 2026 (upto 01:00 pm)
Opening of Technical e-bids	22nd April, 2026 (02:00 pm onwards)
Opening of Financial e-bids	22nd April, 2026 (03:00 pm onwards) at Conference Hall (1st Floor), Excise & Taxation Department, Sector 17, U.T. Chandigarh.

Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Union Territory, Chandigarh

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
(A Chandigarh Administration Undertaking)
8, JAN MARG, SECTOR 9-D, CHANDIGARH

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified for the General Public that the following person(s) have applied for the transfer of allotment of the below said Dwelling Unit under the **Blood Relation Transfer Policy** in his/her name under Regulation on 16 of the Chandigarh Housing Board (Allotment, Management and Sale of Tenements) Regulations 1979:-

Sr. No.	Name of the applicant (PROPOSED TRANSFEREE)	Name of the allottee /transferee (PROPOSED TRANSFEREE)	D.U. No.	Cat.	Sector Chandigarh
1	SH. BALPRRIT GUMAN S/O SH. PARAMJIT SINGH GHUMAN (PARAMJEET SINGH GHUMAN/ PARAMJIT SINGH GHUMAN)	SH. PARAMJIT SINGH GHUMAN (PARAMJEET SINGH GHUMAN/ PARAMJIT SINGH GHUMAN) S/O SH. KARNAIL SINGH GHUMAN	5928	HIG (Ind)	MHC, MANIMAJRA, CHANDIGARH

In case anybody has any objection for the Sale/Purchase in respect of above said dwelling Unit he/she may submit the objection, if any, in writing within 21 days of the publication of this notice before the undersigned alongwith documentary evidence, if any.

SECRETARY
CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD,
CHANDIGARH

NORTHERN RAILWAY
(E-Auction Notice)

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, Northern Railway, Ambala Cantt for and on behalf of President of India invites bids through E-Auction on IREPS website for allotment of contracts at Railway Stations of Ambala Division of Northern Railway.

Sn	Lot No.	Description	Auction Start Date Time
1	MSS-UMB-UMB-PS-75-26-1	Setting up and Operation of Single Brand Copany owned/ Operted Premium Outlet at Ambala Cantt. Railway Station over Ambala Division for a period of 05 years (As per site-plan)	27.04.2026 12.00.00 hrs

For participation in E-Auction process or for any other information related to E-Auction leasing process, visit **www.ireps.gov.in** **1269/2026**

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DIRECTORATE OF SMALL SAVINGS, BANKING AND LOTTERIES, PUNJAB

Draw Time: 05:00 PM ONWARDS DATE: 17/04/2026

RESULT OF PUNJAB STATE DEAR 50 COLT FRIDAY WEEKLY LOTTERY

MRP Rs.50/- Per Ticket

1st Prize Amount (1) Rs. 15 Lakhs (On 5 digits with series)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 1 Lakh + Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 25 Thousand, Total Prize Amount Rs. 16.25 Lakh)
C 55231

2nd Prize Amount (25) Rs. 9,000/- (On 5 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 900/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 100/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.10,000/- Each)
51289 55661 60698 66484 73620

3rd Prize Amount (50) Rs. 4,000/- (On Last 4 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 500/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 100/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 4,600/- Each)
1257 1503

4th Prize Amount (125) Rs. 2,000/- (On last 4 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 200/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs.50/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 2,250/- Each)
0271 0445 3189 7315 9342

5th Prize Amount (125) Rs. 1000/- (On last 4 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 100/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 50/-, Total Prize Amount Rs. 1,150/- Each)
1783 2438 3061 6341 8467

6th Prize Amount (125) Rs. 500/- (On last 4 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 50/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 20/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.570/- Each)
0285 3631 6110 7412 8941

7th Prize Amount (17,500) Rs. 100/- (On last 4 digits)
(Seller Prize Amount Rs. 10/-, Sub Stockist Prize Amount Rs. 5/-, Total Prize Amount Rs.115/- Each)

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0368	0371	0375	0382	0431	0455	0457	0459	0472	0486
0512	0515	0519	0528	0544	0596	0603	0621	0630	0646
0665	0689	0702	0705	0725	0751	0754	0774	0775	0818
0819	0834	0854	0868	0880	0895	0896	0902	0912	0918
0921	0961	0970	0981	0987	1000	1022	1029	1064	1079
1081	1103	1106	1115	1120	1122	1138	1164	1165	1189
1190	1237	1253	1254	1283	1284	1298	1306	1313	1319
1320	1323	1339	1370	1372	1391	1400	1409	1439	1443
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1515	1535	1546	1559	1565	1566	1567	1593	1611	1615
1625	1630	1633	1641	1647	1666	1674	1679	1721	1725
1745	1773	1782	1802	1807	1811	1820	1826	1840	1842
1937	1959	1961	1990	1998	2020	2024	2049	2058	2065
2082	2104	2141	2193	2194	2212	2225	2243	2289	2295
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Poll process for posts of chairman and VC of Cooperative society held peacefully



PRITI SAINI
SADHAURA: The election process for the posts of Chairman and Vice-Chairman at Cooperative Society in village of Sarawan in Sadhaura, was conducted in a peaceful and transparent manner. Since early morning, an atmosphere of enthusiasm prevailed among the members within the Society premises regarding the elections. Participating in the democratic process, all members exercised their franchise. Prominent among the Society members present on this occasion were Lakhwinder Singh Cheema, Sanjeev Kumar, Pradeep Kumar, Ayub Hasan, Balkar Singh, Anil Kumar, Naib Mohammad, Sushil Kumar, Sona Devi, and Israna. Throughout the election process, all members demonstrated mutual consensus and harmony, thereby ensuring that the entire event was conducted peacefully. A total of 10 members participated in the election, and Sanjeev Kumar Sarawan was unanimously elected to the post of Chairman.

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Farmers should be vigilant to protect their ripe crops from fire incidents: DC



KULDEEP SOOD
BARNALA: Deputy Commissioner Barnala Harpreet Singh IAS has appealed to the farmers to be vigilant in view of the wheat harvesting season to protect their ripe crops from fire incidents. He said that yesterday an incident of fire in the ripe wheat crop at Kothe Kheon Singh Wala near Bhadaur has come to light, on receiving information, instructions were given to investigate on the spot. A report has been filed by the Patwari in this regard. In which it has come to light that a fire broke out in the field of four farmers of Kothe Khion Singh Wala and the wheat crop was burnt. He said that after the detailed report of the SDM in this regard, a case will be sent to the government for compensation and due compensation will be provided to the farmers so that their losses can be compensated. He said that keeping in mind the harvest season, fire tenders along with staff have been deployed in different areas.

Citizens get opportunity for self-enumeration: Upload Information on portal from home by Apr 30: SDM Khoth



DINKAR GAWRI
HANSI, APR 17

A census awareness programme was organised at the local SD Women's College. SDM Rajesh Khoth attended the event as the chief speaker, while the college Principal, Dr. Suresh Kumar Gupta, was also present on the occasion. Addressing the gathering, SDM Rajesh Khoth stated that the census is currently underway across the country. This marks the eighth census to be conducted since India's independence. Notably, for the first time in the history of the census, citizens have been provided with the opportunity to conduct a "self-enumeration." He explained that citizens can upload their household details themselves via the census portal from the comfort of their homes until April 30, a feature that has made the entire process simpler, more transparent, and more convenient.

Providing details regarding the complete census procedure, he explained that the exercise would be conducted in two phases. The first phase involves house listing and housing enumeration, during which information regarding the condition, amenities, and basic details of every household will be collected. Following this, the second phase will involve population enumeration, wherein detailed information pertaining to every individual will be gathered. The SDM further informed that, as per the scheduled plan, the house listing exercise will be carried out in the first phase, after which the population enumeration process will commence. He added that the administration has completed all necessary preparations to ensure that both these phases are executed in a systematic and transparent manner. Elaborating on the significance of the census, he explained to the students that the data derived from the census plays a pivotal role in the formulation of policies and development schemes for both the nation and the state. During the programme, several students actively participated by immediately uploading their essential household details onto the census portal. The SDM appealed to the students to raise awareness about the census among their families and neighbors, and to educate them about the self-enumeration process, so that the maximum number of people can avail themselves of this facility. On this occasion, the SDM honored and encouraged the students who enthusiastically participated in the census exercise by presenting them with pens. Expressing his gratitude to the administration, the college Principal, Dr. Suresh Kumar Gupta, stated that such awareness programs inspire students to become responsible citizens. He urged the female students to participate enthusiastically in significant national undertakings such as the census.

Bhagat Kabir Ji's teachings are still relevant for entire humanity: Nayab Singh Saini



BUREAU
MOHALI, APR 17

The teachings (Bani) of Bhagat Kabir Ji are still relevant for the entire universe even today. The spiritual message given by Bhagat Kabir Ji continues to exist strongly in the environment even now. The path shown by Bhagat Kabir Ji through Gurbani can still guide people towards a righteous life if followed sincerely.These views were expressed by Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini. He arrived in Mohali to participate in a state-level seminar organized at the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) by Bhagat Kabir Welfare Foundation (Regd.), in collaboration with Shri Hari Sharnam Seva Sansthan and Chandigarh Din Bhar News Channel. The seminar was conducted under the leadership of Foundation Founder General Secretary Pradeep Singh Happy. Nayab Singh Saini said that the teachings of Bhagat Kabir Ji are like "showing a lamp to the sun," emphasizing their timeless wisdom. He described Bhagat Kabir Ji as a great social reformer and a visionary. It is noteworthy that the Bhagat Kabir Welfare Foundation has been organizing seminars across Punjab to promote and spread the teachings of Kabir Ji.During his address, the Chief Minister recalled the teachings of Bhagat Kabir Ji and said that he promoted equality, brotherhood, and secularism in society.

Secure your property rights: Lal Dora document submission camp



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: On Friday, Municipal Corporation Karnal organized a camp for the people of Lal Dora area at the Gurudwara located in village Budhakheda of Ward No. 2. About 80 people from different wards came to the camp. This information was given by Municipal Corporation Commissioner Dr. Vaishali Sharma.He told that the citizens who came to the camp were given a form by the property branch team, along with which the documents were attached and people got it submitted. Those who did not have complete documents were asked to bring all the relevant documents to room number 114 of the Municipal Corporation office on Monday. Apart from this, people who did not know the documents were given information about the documents. He informed that now the documents will be verified by the property tax branch. After this, their correct information will be entered on the NDC portal and it will be self-verified, after which property certificates will be issued to the concerned people. He said that whoever comes to the Municipal Corporation office to submit their form, they must bring along with them the photocopy of their Aadhar Card and Transport Certificate along with the relevant documents.

Skill training being provided to thousands of students by Naveen Jindal Foundation and Instraco



DALBIR SINGH MALIK
KURUKSHETRA: Under MP Naveen Jindal's initiative, the 'Naveen Avasar' (New Opportunities) program, and in collaboration with Instraco, skill development training is being imparted to youth through scholarships at the Kurukshetra International Skill Center. Furthermore, skill development training is also being provided to students in various government schools across the Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency. The objective of this initiative is to empower students with behavioral, communication, and employment-oriented skills right from the school level, enabling them to be better prepared for future challenges. Approximately 1,000 students are benefiting from these training programs, which are being conducted in various schools across the Kurukshetra parliamentary constituency. These include schools located in Shahabad, Pehowa, Ladwa, Thanesar, Ismailabad, Khairi, and other areas. Under this programme, students are receiving training on crucial subjects such as soft skills, communication skills, practical knowledge, resume building, and interview preparation. This training is being delivered through interactive boards and a hybrid model, thereby enhancing both student participation and comprehension. Dharmvir Singh, the Office-in-Charge for MP Naveen Jindal, stated that this initiative marks a significant step toward ensuring a bright future for the youth. He emphasized that skill development is the key to an 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' (Self-Reliant India). He added that MP Naveen Jindal firmly believes that if students receive proper guidance and training at an early stage, they will not only be able to secure employment in the future but also create employment opportunities for others.

Cafeteria Week celebrated with delicious delights at RR Bawa DAV College for Girls, Batala



VERMA
BATALA: Under the patronage of Dr.Meenakshi Duggal, Officiating Principal, RR Bawa DAV College for Girls, Batala and under the guidance of Mrs. HarpreetAneja and Mrs. Sunaina Gupta in collaboration with WEE@RRB and IIC, 'Cafeteria Week' was organized under Entrepreneurial Programme in the college premises. The college enthusiastically celebrated Cafeteria Week with a variety of mouth-watering dishes served each day, creating a vibrant and enjoyable atmosphere for students and staff alike. The event commenced on the first day with the refreshing and tangy Corn Chaat, which was widely appreciated for its flavor and presentation. The students prepared a nutritious & tasty Corn Chaat using sweet corn, fresh vegetables and mild spices, keeping in mind the dietary needs of active students. In this event students run Cafeteria set-up. Roles were efficiently managed i.e. Ms. Puneet Kaur managed the role of Head Cook, overseeing the preparation of recipes. Ms. Roopleen Kaur contributed as Assistant Cook supporting in food preparation and maintaining hygiene.

Hope rises from Ambala's Soil: 'SEVA Dhaam Ashram' to become shield for children battling DMD



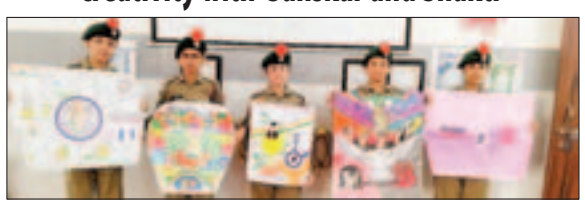
JAIBEER RANA THAMBER
BARARA: In a significant step towards social welfare, SEVA Trust UK (India) and Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCCIL), a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Railways, Government of India, have signed a historic agreement to ensure that no child suffering from the rare disease Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) remains helpless due to lack of resources. On this occasion, Alok Kumar, General Manager (Coordination), DFCCIL, Ambala, stated that under this partnership, DFCCIL will extend support through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. This support will help provide advanced physiotherapy and treatment facilities for children affected by DMD. He appreciated the efforts of the Trust and emphasized that society must come together to support children suffering from rare diseases. He added that this initiative will serve as a ray of hope for affected families. Speaking on the occasion, Naresh Mittal, Chairman of SEVA Trust UK (India), shared that SEVA Dhaam Ashram is being developed in Village Saha, District Ambala (Haryana) over an area of 59,895 square feet, with its first phase expected to become operational by May 2026. He further explained that DMD is a rare and severe condition in which children gradually lose muscle strength. The treatment is extremely expensive, and many children succumb at an early age due to lack of access to proper care.

Students of Jat Shining Star Public School shine in Class 10 board examination



SANJAY SHARMA
KAITHAL: In the CBSE Board 10th class examination results declared on Wednesday, the students of Jat Shining Star Public School brought laurels to the school and their parents by performing excellently. School Principal Pankaj Gupta said that this year's result has been the best in the school's history, in which Kanan Singla secured first position, Divya and Anjali Malik jointly secured second position, while Lakshya Chahal stood third. In the subject wise performance, Bindu, Lakshya Chahal, Dev and Vinu scored 99 marks in Punjabi, Nitika scored 97 marks in Social Science, Kanan, Lagan and Sugam scored 97 marks in IT, Anu and Divya scored 96 marks in Hindi and Kanan Singla and Lakshya Chahal scored 94 marks in English and proved their talent. On this remarkable achievement, the President of the Jat High School Committee, Rajkumar Beniwal, Vice President Baljinder Banwala, Secretary Advocate Rashmi Dhull, Treasurer Balkar Nain, and Management Committee members Jasvir, Satyawan Majra, Rajpal, Sunny, Swatantra Pal, Dalbir, Vikram, Mahavir Kundu, Mahavir Ravish, and Rajat Rapadia blessed all the students and encouraged them to achieve even greater success in the future.

NCC cadets of Sunrise Public School showcases creativity with 'Sanskar and Shakti'



R K KASHYAP
CHHACHHRAULI: Sunrise Public School, Pratap Nagar's NCC Unit, 14 Haryana Battalion, organized a grand poster-making competition to mark World Creativity and Innovation Day. The activity was conducted under the slogan "Sanskar and Shakti." The cadets participated enthusiastically in the competition, conveying powerful messages through their art on important topics such as women's empowerment, Digital India, and environmental values. Cadet Lagan, showcasing her outstanding art, secured first place. Several cadets, including Ridhima, Kanishka Sharma, Chitranshka, Khushi, Abhay, Kanwaldeep, Sarthak, Karandeep, and Pratap Singh, made commendable contributions to the competition. School Principal ParamjitKaur praised the cadets' excellent paintings and encouraged the winners with prizes.

DC Dr Anand Kumar Sharma appeals farmers not to burn crop residue in their fields



SHIV KUMAR SHARMA
KARNAL: Deputy Commissioner Dr. Anand Kumar Sharma said that the work of harvesting wheat crop was going on. After harvesting, farmers often burn crop residues. Doing so not only weakens the fertility of our land but also pollutes our environment. He appealed to the farmers not to set fire to the fields after harvesting the wheat crop, but to manage them properly. He said that burning of crop residues pollutedtheir environment due to which they were facing serious diseases. Burning of crop residues affects our production and increases production costs and reduces income. Apart from this, environmental pollution, reduction in soil fertility, extinction of beneficial insects/bacteria has adverse effects on human health. Besides, there is also a fear of loss of property and life. Additionally, there is a reduction in animal fodder while fodder can be made from these crop residues. He said that to stop the problem of burning of crop residues, the Environment Department of Haryana has banned the burning of wheat residues in the entire state under the provisions of Section 19(5) of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

30 youth celebrate their 'Real Birth' after beating drug addiction



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GURDASPUR: In an inspiring story of recovery, 30 young men who overcame severe drug addiction celebrated their "real birth" after successfully completing treatment at the Red Cross Drug De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Centre, Babbehali. The centre is run by the Punjab State Red Cross Society under the supervision of Project Director and National Awardee Ramesh Mahajan. Calling the day their true rebirth, the youth shared that while their physical birth was natural, this moment marked their emergence from the darkness of addiction into a healthy, drug-free life. The occasion was marked with a complimentary dinner at Hotel R K Regency, where the participants openly shared their painful experiences. They acknowledged that addiction had cost them their youth and burdened their families, while also sending a strong message of hope and motivation to others fighting substance abuse.

Wheat arrival in large scale: procurement at snail pace



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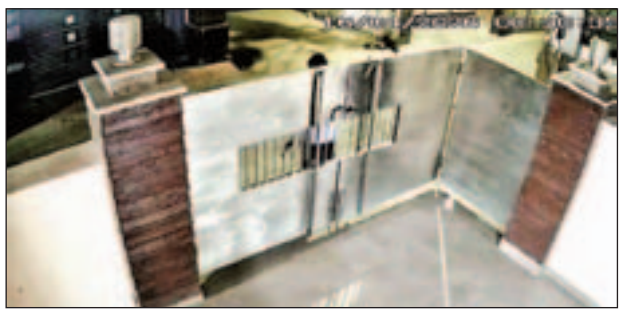
Even after selling their wheat, farmers' pockets remain empty. They are neitherable toenroll their children in schools, nor they able to purchase their books and uniforms. Furthermore, they are unable to even pay for the labor required for harvesting and threshing. The pace at which wheat lifting is proceeding at the Ladwa grain market clearly indicates that farmers will have to wait a long time to receive their wages for their sold wheat. According to Market Committee data, approximately 460,000 quintals of wheat have arrived at the Ladwa grain market so far, of which approximately 440,000 quintals have been purchased. Of the purchased wheat, only 100,000 quintals have been lifted. More than 300,000 quintals of wheat remain in the market for lifting. Until the purchased wheat is lifted, farmers will not be paid. Bharatiya Kisan Union (Tikait Group) district president Ramdhari alias Bhura Duda said that if the procurement of wheat from farmers in the mandis did not accelerate, the Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) will have to take drastic steps in collaboration with the farmers.

ANIMATRIX 2026 highlights AI-driven creative innovation at RBU



LK BANSAL
MOHALI: The School of Animation & Design at Rayat Bahra University hosted ANIMATRIX 2026, a large-scale Digital Design Exhibition showcasing the culmination of semester-long creative work by students. Positioned as India's first AI-enabled Animation & Design School, the exhibition featured over 150 industry-ready projects, including branding campaigns, visual effects, 3D motion graphics, game assets, and architectural visualisations. The works demonstrated structured creative pipelines where AI tools supported ideation and workflow efficiency, while storytelling and design decisions remained human-led. A major highlight was a 3D interactive campus tour developed by Semester 3 students, inspired by open-world gaming and featuring interactive navigation and character-based storytelling.

Police fails to nab accused of firing at businessman's house



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LADWA, APR 17

The police administration is reluctant to comment on the indiscriminate firing at a businessman's house in Ladwa by two masked bike riders, despite the city's widespread speculation. Since morning, rumours have been circulating about the replacement of more than half a dozen police personnel at the Ladwa police station, but no one is willing to comment on this matter. Reports indicate that seven to eight police personnel have been replaced, including a female officer and a Dial-112 driver. Only the police know why they are concealing this matter, but the police are actively searching for the shooters raising hopes that they will soon apprehend them. To ensure security in Ladwa, the police have set up seven checkpoints in the city.

Following the firing at a businessman's residence in Agarwal Colony, opposite the Devi Temple on the Ladwa-Rohtak Road on Thursday midnight, the police have set up another checkpoint near the Devi Temple.

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Kitab Lovers' New Book Carnival Kicks Off in Mohali with Exciting 'Load the Box' Offer

MOHALI: The much-awaited New Book Carnival by Kitab Lovers kick-started today at Mohali Walk Mall, bringing an exciting literary celebration to the city. Running from April 16 to April 26, 2026, the 11-day book fair promises an enriching experience for readers of all age groups. Featuring over 10 lakh new books across more than 10 diverse genres—including fiction, non-fiction, romance, self-help, mystery, and children's literature—the carnival also showcases a dedicated Hindi books section with over 500 titles by renowned authors.



Speaking on the occasion, Rahul Pandey, Founder of Kitab Lovers, expressed his excitement about returning to Mohali for the eighth time. He emphasized that the New Book Carnival brings an entirely fresh collection of books at unbeatable prices, catering to readers from toddlers to senior citizens. He also highlighted the importance of reviving reading habits in an increasingly digital world, encouraging families to visit the fair and nurture a love for books.

A key attraction of the event is Kitab Lovers' popular 'Load the Box' concept, allowing visitors to purchase a box at a fixed price and fill it with as many books as possible, making quality reading material highly affordable. In addition, discounts of up to 80% are being offered, making it one of the most economical book fairs in the region.

A reimagined Forest Hill Resort-FHR, aims to usher in era of 'luxury wilderness lifestyle'

CHANDIGARH: In a massive boost to an eco-friendly luxury experiential lifestyle & refined hospitality, the iconic Forest Hill Resort (FHR), nestled in the pristine Shivalik foothills and adjacent to the sprawling Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary, has unveiled a bold new vision that redefines luxury wilderness hospitality in North India. FHR has re-invented itself, and launched its all-new Club House, marking a key milestone in the resort's transformation into a luxury eco-tourism destination in the wilderness. On the side-lines of the launch, Senior Director - Devinder Sandhu, along with Karan Datta, General Manager; Chef Amardeep Singh and Chef Arshi Naeem, interacted with the media, sharing insights into FHR's vision, the concept behind the new clubhouse & more.



Devinder Sandhu, said, "Luxury today is about authenticity, space and connection with nature. At Forest Hill Resort, we are not just offering a destination; we are creating a way of life that integrates sustainability, wellness, and refined hospitality. Our vision is to build a community that values conscious living while delivering long-term lifestyle and investment value." The all-new clubhouse, features a striking glass structure with a clear roof, private dining spaces, and the elegant outdoor venue 'Le Jardin'.

Satya Bharti Schools in Punjab Shine with Exceptional Academic Results in Class X and Class VIII Board Examinations

AMRITSAR: Satya Bharti Schools in Punjab, run by the Bharti Airtel Foundation, have demonstrated consistently strong academic performance in the Class X (CBSE) and Class VIII (PSEB) examinations, reflecting sustained excellence across both secondary and middle-school levels.

In the CBSE Class X Board Examinations 2025–26, the five Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary Schools recorded an outstanding 98.80% overall pass rate, well above the national average of 93.70% and the Panchkula region average of 92.24%. Girl students delivered an exceptional performance, achieving a 100% pass rate – surpassing the CBSE national average of 94.99%, and underscoring strong academic outcomes for girls across Satya Bharti Schools.

Operated under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model in collaboration with the Punjab State Government under the Adarsh Scheme, these schools are located in Chogawan and Fattubhila (Amritsar), Jhaneri (Sangrur), and Rauni and Sherpur Kalan (Ludhiana). The schools in Chogawan and Sherpur Kalan achieved 100% results. Overall, the outcomes reflect consistent year-on-year improvement, marked by stronger academic performance and steady student progression across schools.

In the Punjab School Education Board (PSEB) Class VIII results, students from 20 Satya Bharti Schools in Punjab further reinforced system-wide academic strength, recording an overall pass percentage of 99.50%, higher than state average of 96.51%. Girls continued to perform strongly, maintaining a clear edge in the top-grade bands and reinforcing positive gender equity outcomes. The outcomes reflect solid foundational learning and steady progress across most grade bands at the middle-school level.

Golden Akshay Tritiya Offers: Croma Announces Up to 50% Off on Home Appliances

GURUGRAM: Marking the auspicious occasion of Akshay Tritiya, Croma, the omni-channel electronics brand from the Tata Group, has unveiled its "Golden Deals" with discounts of up to 50%* on a wide range of products, including air conditioners, large-screen QLED TVs (55 inches and above), soundbars, and more. Available on April 19, the limited-period offers feature a combination of attractive price reductions, cashback options, exchange bonuses, and easy EMI plans, providing customers with an ideal opportunity to upgrade their homes this festive season. Additionally, customers using the HDFC Bank Tata Neu Credit Card can avail up to 10% savings in the form of NeuCoins on select Apple and Google products.

A spokesperson from Infiniti Retail Ltd. stated that Akshay Tritiya is a time when customers prefer investing in purchases that offer long-term value and prosperity. Through these festive offers, the company aims to make premium home appliances and entertainment systems more accessible.

Adding to the benefits, customers can enjoy a flat 10% discount with savings of up to ₹3,200 on purchases above ₹25,000 across selected categories such as air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, televisions, and Android smartphones.

Rising Liver Disease Cases Among Youth Push Treatment Costs Higher: Care Health Insurance

GURUGRAM: India is witnessing a growing yet underrecognised liver health crisis, with cases increasingly affecting younger populations and residents of smaller cities. According to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease affects between 9% and 32% of the population, making it a significant public health concern often described as a "silent epidemic." Liver-related conditions already account for a substantial share of deaths, while treatment expenses continue to rise sharply, adding financial strain on households. Although NAFLD screening has been incorporated into the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases, experts stress the need for stronger individual financial preparedness alongside policy measures. On the occasion of World Liver Day, data released by Care Health Insurance highlights the scale of the challenge. The analysis reveals that liver-related insurance claims have doubled over the past three years, with treatment costs rising nearly 100% during the same period. A health cover of at least ₹15 lakh is increasingly being seen as necessary to manage such medical expenses. The report also points to a shifting demographic trend, with a 5–10% annual rise in liver disease cases among younger policyholders. Claims from Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities have increased by 10–15% annually, while cases among women have grown by nearly 10% year-on-year, indicating that the disease is no longer limited to older, male, or metro-based populations.

Hisar: Palladium School's Anvi Secures First Place Among Girls with 97.6% Marks

HISAR Anvi, a bright student from Palladium School,Hisar has topped among girls in the CBSE Class 10 examinations, delivering a stellar performance and securing 97.6 percent marks. Anvi's father, Dr. Kaushal Mehta, is a Professor of Computer Science at the Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University, while her mother, Dr. Prem Mehta, serves as a Technical Officer at the Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology (GJUST), Hisar. Anvi stated that her success is the result of the guidance provided by her teachers and parents. It was through their inspiration that she was able to enhance her academic performance.



School Principal Mrs. Nishi Bhatnagar and the teachers extended their heartfelt congratulations to Anvi on this achievement and wished her a bright future. Principal Mrs. Nishi Bhatnagar remarked that Anvi would serve as a source of inspiration for all female students.

Prime Video Announces May 8 Premiere of Action-Drama Lukkhe

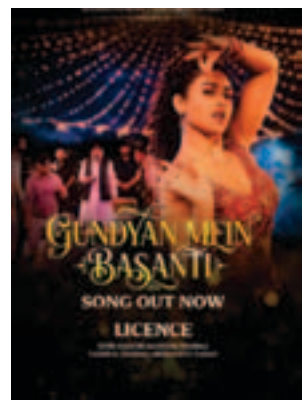
HISAR: Prime Video has announced May 8 as the worldwide premiere date for its upcoming original series Lukkhe, a gripping musical action drama set against the vibrant backdrop of Punjab.Directed by Himank Gaur and produced by Vipul D. Shah and Rajesh Bahl under Optimystix Entertainment and White Guerrilla LLP, the eight-episode series blends high-octane action with raw musical energy. Created and executive produced by Agrim Joshi and Debojit Das Purkayastha, the show promises a unique narrative combining rap, revenge, and emotion. The series is headlined by Raashii Khanna alongside King, who makes his acting debut. It also features Palak Tiwari (in her streaming debut) and Lakshvir Singh Saran in lead roles, with strong supporting performances by Nakul Roshan Sahdev, Kritika Bharadwaj, Shivankit Parihar, Yograj Singh, and Ayesha Raza Mishra. Lukkhe will stream exclusively in Hindi across India and more than 240 countries and territories. Blending gunfights, action, and powerful rap music, the series tells a coming-of-age story shaped by pain, love, and ambition, captured in its core theme: "Rap aur Badla, Dono Loud Hai."

Healing Hospital Introduces Adaptive DBS for Parkinson's Disease

CHANDIGARH: Healing Hospital, Chandigarh has announced the launch of Adaptive Deep Brain Stimulation (aDBS), an advanced therapy for Parkinson's disease. With this development, the hospital becomes the first centre in Tricity and among a limited number of centres in India to offer this next-generation treatment. Adaptive DBS represents a significant advancement over conventional DBS. While traditional systems deliver continuous stimulation, adaptive DBS uses real-time brain signal monitoring to automatically adjust stimulation levels—offering a more precise and personalized approach to Parkinson's treatment. This milestone builds on the hospital's established expertise in Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) surgery, with multiple successful procedures performed for patients across North India. Healing Hospital has emerged as a trusted referral centre for neurology and neurosurgery, managing complex brain and spine conditions across the region. "Patients with Parkinson's often experience fluctuations throughout the day. With adaptive DBS, we aim to improve stability and reduce these variations, leading to better day-to-day functioning," said Dr. J.P. Singhvi, Neurologist, Healing Hospital Chandigarh.

"Gundyan Mein Basanti" – A Dance Track From Masoom Sharma's Most Awaited Film Licence Out Now!

AMBALA : After the massive success of "Gach Laage" and "Licence Ka Asla," the makers of the much-awaited Haryanvi film Licence have released a new high-energy dance track, "Gundyan Mein Basanti." Featuring superstar Masoom Sharma, dancing sensation Gori Nagori, and veteran actor Yashpal Sharma, the song is already grabbing attention for its vibrant visuals and electrifying choreography. The track is expected to further heighten excitement among fans ahead of the film's theatrical release.



Backed by a dynamic creative team, "Gundyan Mein Basanti" emerges as a powerful addition to the film's music album. The song is composed by Masoom Sharma, who has also sung it along with Narender Bhagana and Swara Verma. The lyrics, written by Amar Karnawal, carry a bold and earthy appeal, while Pinna Music's direction enhances the track with pulsating beats and a contemporary sound.

Sharing his thoughts, Masoom Sharma said, "'Gundyan Mein Basanti' truly reflects the energy and attitude of our film. We aimed to create something that connects instantly with the audience and makes them dance. The response to our previous songs has been overwhelming, and I believe this track will receive similar love." Singer Swara Verma added, ""The song is vibrant and gave me the chance to explore a different vocal style. It's deeply rooted in Haryanvi culture, and working with the team was a wonderful experience.""

Narender Bhagana described it as "a full-on energetic track that fans will instantly love." Directed by Ranjeet Chauhan and produced by Shakuntalam Film Production, Licence is set to release in cinemas on April 24, 2026.

Sixth Day of Bhagwat Katha Filled with Devotion and Dance

CHANDIGARH: The sixth day of the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha unfolded in a spiritually vibrant atmosphere with the continuous chanting of "Radhe Radhe Radhe Govind Radhe," as devotees immersed themselves in devotion and joy. At the outset, Goswami Ji paid obeisance to the devotees, stating that the true host of the Katha is the listener who has the ability to absorb and accept its essence. He explained the two forms of Sankirtan—one where divine essence gently flows, and another where it bursts forth with intensity. He added that when devotees begin to dance spontaneously during Sankirtan, it signifies the awakening of inner devotion, much like water naturally emerging from the earth. Highlighting spiritual understanding, he said that the soul is not always mature enough to fully experience divine love, but through the grace of the Shrimad Bhagwat Katha, devotees are blessed with glimpses of God's divine pastimes.



Goswami Ji also beautifully narrated the childhood leelas of Radha and Krishna, sharing how young Krishna once insisted on marrying Radha and lovingly applied alta from Radha Rani's feet as a tilak on his forehead, reflecting pure devotion. Harsh Sharma, founder of Tejaswini Foundation, encouraged devotees to participate wholeheartedly in this sacred event. Vinod Sharma of Gauri Shankar Sevadal Gaushala, Sector 45, Chandigarh, informed that the seventh and final day of the Katha will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The Katha is being organized with devotion by Gauri Shankar Sevadal Gaushala, Chandigarh, and Tejaswini Foundation, Panchkula, witnessing active participation from devotees and prominent members of the Tricity.

Allengers Gully Cricket Tournament 2026 Kicks Off in Chandigarh



CHANDIGARH, The fourth edition of the Allengers Gully Cricket Tournament 2026 formally inaugurated on Friday at the Sector 16 Cricket Stadium by Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini. The ceremony was also graced by H Rajesh Prasad, Chief Secretary, UT Administration, in the presence of Tournament Chairman Sanjay Tandon and DGP UT Police Dr Sagar Preet Hooda along with senior officials from the Chandigarh Administration, Chandigarh Police and UT Cricket Association (UTCA). The tournament is being jointly organized by UTCA and Chandigarh Police with the objective of engaging youth in sports and steering them away from drug abuse.

Administering an anti-drug oath to players and attendees, CM Saini highlighted the importance of PM's initiatives like Khelo India and Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan in promoting discipline and physical fitness among youth.

Fresh Flour at Home, Every Day: SOFTEL Brings Back Traditional Grinding to Modern Kitchens

CHANDIGARH: The aroma of freshly ground atta or spices is more than just food. It is a memory of a time when ingredients were pure, processes were slower, and taste was never compromised. As kitchens evolved for speed and convenience, that experience quietly faded from everyday life. SOFTEL, with over 35 years of manufacturing expertise, is bringing that experience back, redesigned for modern homes. Its compact ghar ghanti makes fresh grinding simple again. Small enough to fit on a kitchen platform yet powerful enough to grind grains, millets, and spices with ease, it brings traditional methods back into daily use without adding complexity. At its core is a stone grinding process that helps retain natural taste, texture, and nutrition. With a grinding capacity of 7.5 to 10 kg per hour and energy consumption of just one unit per hour, it is built for consistent, everyday performance. To match different household needs, SOFTEL offers three models: Fully Automatic, Semi Automatic, and Manual, giving users the flexibility to choose their level of control and convenience. Managing Director Mr. Anil Kumar Jain shares, "Fresh food is not a luxury, it is the foundation of good health. Grinding fresh is the simplest way to bring purity.



Journalist Club Demands Revocation of Rohtak DPRO's Suspension

Bhiwani. The Journalist Club of Bhiwani has demanded the revocation of the suspension of Sanjeev Saini, the District Information and Public Relations Officer (DPRO) of Rohtak. The Club's President, Ishwar Dhamu, stated that the sudden failure of a sound system during an ongoing event is not a matter of administrative oversight. Such sudden malfunctions are technical in nature. It is common knowledge that a sound system does not fail simply at the behest of a DPRO; technicians are responsible for such issues. A DPRO's responsibility is limited solely to managing the logistical arrangements. Moreover, for a Chief Minister's rally, the sound system—along with the technical staff and departmental officers—is brought in from Chandigarh. Under this arrangement, the DPRO's role is confined strictly to overseeing the logistics. Therefore, holding the DPRO alone responsible in such a scenario is unjust. Dhamu further alleged that officials within the Public Relations Department misled their superiors. He claimed that, in an effort to shield the staff from Chandigarh, they turned the district-level DPRO into a scapegoat. The Journalist Club of Bhiwani strongly condemns the biased attitude of the senior officials within the Public Relations Department and demands the immediate revocation of the suspension of Rohtak DPRO, Saini. On behalf of the Club, a memorandum regarding this matter will also be submitted to the Chief Minister.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

e-TENDERING

OPEN TENDER NOTICE No. NIT-03/UMB-2026-27, DATED: 17.04.2026

Open tenders through e-tendering are invited on & behalf of President of India by Sr. Divisional Engineer/Coordination, Northern Railway, Ambala from the willing contractors for following work upto 15.00 hrs. on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter:-

S. No.	Name of Work	Approx. Cost (Rs.)	Bid Security (Rs.)	Period of Completion	Date of closing & opening
1	Extension of POH/IOH Shed, insp. pit and Insp. room, electric & electronic test lab, pneumatic test lab, Admin Block and Rest Room for TMC staff at BTI & Creation of Infrastructural facilities for ART/SRE, KLK and SPARMV BTI (Civil works at BTI only).	2,56,14,463/-	5,12,300/-	12 Months	11.05.2026
2	Provision of safety fencing (RCC wall/ anti crash barrier) at CRO location along the track for safe running of track on LDH-DUI & JHL- HSR section under ADEN/PTA.	4,13,57,818/-	8,27,200	12 Months	11.05.2026
3	Provision of Tactile Guiding and Warning tile at existing PFs on Sekha, Hadiaya Tapa, Rampura Phul, Lehra Muhabbat, Bhuchchu, Bathinda Cantt, Giddarbaha, Malout, Nabha, Sunam Udham Singh Wala, Dhablan, Kauiseri, Chhintanwala, Daun Kalan, Ahmadgarh stations.	1,64,40,372/-	3,28,800/-	12 Months	11.05.2026
4	Upgradation of Divyangjan friendly amenities at various NSG 1 to NSG 5 class stations on Rajpura-Dhuri, Dhuri-Bathinda, Bathinda-Sriganganagar, Ludhiana-Dhuri-Jakhal & Jakhal-Hisar sections.	56,36,286/-	1,12,700/-	08 Months	11.05.2026

1. Tenderers are required to upload scanned copies of all related eligibility documents including PAN/TIN/GST as per conditions. 2. The required Bid Security will be acceptable On-line payment through Net Banking/or Payment Gateway payment/Bank Guarantee bond (Annexure-VIIA) well before & upto 15.00 hrs. of closing date & time of tender. 3. Tenderers should have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in e-Tendering of works tenders. 4. For detail, please log on IREPS website www. ireps.gov.in. 5. GST will be levied as per GST Act. 2017.

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SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

SH. VISHAL GARG S/O SH. ASHOK KUMAR GARG approached to the Chandigarh Housing Board for the issuance of **Duplicate copy of Allotment Letter & Conversion Letter in the name of Sh. Ashok Kumar Bhatia** in respect of DU **No.2114-2, Sector 19-C, Chandigarh** due to loss of these documents. He has also furnished Lost Article Information Report in P.S. 26 at Serial No 247143 LAR No 2026/011318 registered with CHANDIGARH Police on dated 11.04.2026 regarding the loss of above said documents. Any person having any objection against the issuance of **Duplicate copy of Allotment Letter & Conversion Letter in the name of Sh. Ashok Kumar Bhatia** of above said DU to the applicant(s), he/she should file the objection before the undersigned in writing within 15 days from the publication of this notice, failing which the document shall be issued. Further, in case original document as mentioned above is found by anyone, the same should be submitted in the above noted Police Station or in the office of the undersigned.

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

**CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION
EXCISE & TAXATION DEPARTMENT**

NOTICE FOR REGISTRATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN e-TENDERING PROCESS FOR ALLOTMENT OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES OF INDIAN MADE FOREIGN LIQUOR, IMPORTED FOREIGN LIQUOR, BEER, WINE AND COUNTRY LIQUOR (L-2/L-14A) FOR THE YEAR 2026-27 IN U.T., CHANDIGARH.

This is for the information of General Public that the process of online registration of persons to participate in the e-tendering process for allotment of liquor vends for the year 2026-27 in U.T., Chandigarh, will commence from 18.04.2026.

All willing persons may visit the official website of the department i.e. www.etdut.gov.in/exciseonline for information/ to know the procedure and those who intend to participate in the e-tendering may get themselves registered at **https://etenders.chd.nic.in.**

It is further, informed that all prospective bidders will have to get themselves registered for e-tendering on the Chandigarh Administration's e-tender website i.e. **https://etenders.chd.nic.in.**

A helpdesk has also been set up in the office of the Assistant Excise & Taxation Commissioner, U.T., Chandigarh for providing assistance to the participants for e-tendering.

Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Union Territory, Chandigarh

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UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

Advt. No. R&P/316/2026 **Date: 17.03.2026**

Online applications are invited in the prescribed Application Form from eligible candidates for appointment to the post of **Assistant Professor** in the Academic Pay Level-10 of the 7th Central Pay Commission Pay Matrix, in the Departments of **Computer Science, Economics, and Psychology**, University of Delhi. The last date for receipt of application is two weeks from the date of publication of the advertisement in the *Employment News*. For details, please visit the University website www.du.ac.in and click "Advertisement - Departments" under the Head "Work with DU".

Any addendum/corrigendum shall be posted only on the University website.

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UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

Advt. No. R&P/314/2026 **Dated: 12.03.2026**

Online applications are invited in the prescribed Application Form from eligible candidates for appointment to the post of Assistant Professor in the Academic Pay Level-10 of the 7th Central Pay Commission Pay Matrix, in the **Centre for Hindu Studies**, University of Delhi. The last date for receipt of application is two weeks from the date of publication of the advertisement in the *Employment News*. For details, please visit the University website www.du.ac.in and click "Advertisement - Departments" under the Head "Work with DU".

Any addendum/corrigendum shall be posted only on the University website.

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Court Notice
In the Court of, District Marriage Officer, Moga
V/S
General Public
Subject: Issuance of Marriage Ability Certificate



Applicant Name: Dalvir Kaur Grewal
Father/Husband Name: HARMINDER SINGH GREWAL
R/o: PATTI MAL KI VPO DALA MOGA, Village - Dala / Tehsil - Moga/ District- Moga, Punjab
has applied (submitted for application) in Suwidha Center for issuance of Marriage ability Certificate, for her daughter whose details are given as follows:
Name: NAVPREET KAUR GREWAL
Permanent Address: PATTI MAL KI VPO DALA MOGA, Dala Moga, Moga, Punjab
Age/DOB: 33-(23/08/1992)
The applicant has stated that he/she has no marital relation in India.
Notice is given to the general public that if there is any objection to any person regarding issuance of above said certificate than the person or his representative can put their objection/ grievance within 30 days from the issuance of this notice. No objection shall be entertained thereafter.
The advertisement issued on 16/04/2026 through my signature under court seal.
No. 616/Reader
Dated 16/04/2026 Sd/-
Distt. Marriage Officer,
Moga, Punjab, India

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UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

Advt. No. R&P/319/2026 **Date: 17.03.2026**

Online applications are invited in the prescribed Application Form from the eligible candidates for appointment to the post of **Assistant Professor**, in the Academic Pay Level 10 as per 7th Central Pay Commission Pay Matrix, in Department of **Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and Electronics and Communication Engineering, Faculty of Technology**, University of Delhi. The last date for receipt of application is two weeks from the date of publication of the advertisement in the *Employment News*. For details, please visit the University website www.du.ac.in and click "Advertisement - Departments" under the Head "Work with DU".

Any addendum/corrigendum shall be posted only on the University website.

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CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD
A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING
8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh

PUBLIC NOTICE

SMT. KAMLESH KAKAR W/O LATE SH. D. N. KAKAR, has approached to the Chandigarh Housing Board for the issuance of Duplicate Copy of Allotment letter in respect of Dwelling unit No. 657, Sector-38-A, Chandigarh, due to loss of this document. She has furnished the online Complaint at Police Station: 39, Chandigarh vide, S. No. 247612 LA R. No. 2026/011784, on dated 15/04/2026, regarding the loss of above said document. Any person having any objection, against the issuance of duplicate copy of Allotment letter in respect of the above said Dwelling Unit to the said. He/She should file the objection before the undersigned in writing within 15 days from the publication of this notice, failing which the documents shall be issued. Further, in case original document as mentioned above is found by anyone, the same should be submitted in the above noted Police Station or in the office of the undersigned.

Secretary,
Chandigarh Housing Board,
Chandigarh

**Himachal Pradesh
Public Works Department**

No. PW-DPD-CB-Tender/2025-26-773-75 e-Procurement Notice Dated 10.04.2026

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer, HPPWD Division Dharampur on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the online bids for percentage rate in electronic tendering in 2 Cover Systems for the below mentioned works from the eligible and approved contractors/ Firms registered with HPPWD Department.

Sr. No.	Name of Works	Estimated Cost (in Rs)	EMD (in Rs.)	Time Limit	Cost of Tender Form	Eligible class of Contractor
1	R/R Damages on Barot Dharampur Road Via Chalali KM 0/00 to 7/100(SH :- C/O 3.00X3.00Mtrs Box Culvert, at RD 5/155,5/645 and 5/900)	32,46,083/-	65,000/-	Three months	2,000/-	"D"
2	C/O Govt. High School building at Nalyana in Tehsil Dharampur Distt. Mandi HP (SH :- C/O Steel Roofing over Existing building)	14,17,237/-	28,500	Three months	500/-	"D"

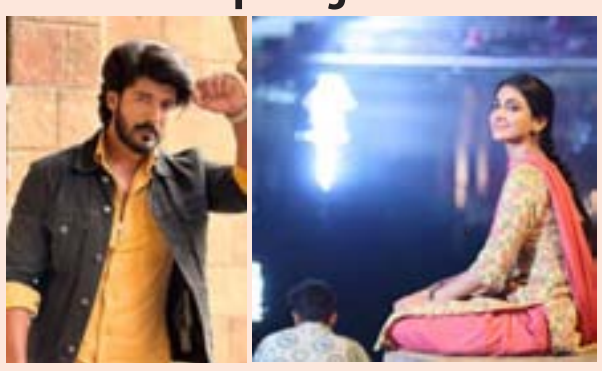
The bidder is advise to note other detail/tender documents/ eligibility condition from the department website https://hptenders.gov.in for submission of bids, the bidder is required to have digital signature certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized certifying authorities (CA).

		Keys dates
1.	Date of Online Publication	13-04-2026
2.	Documents download Start date and End Date	13-04-2026 17.00 HRS 20-04-2026 18.00 HRS
3.	Bid Submission Start and End Date	13-04-2026 17.00 HRS 20-04-2026 18.00 HRS
4.	Date of Technical Bid Opening	21-04-2026 11.30 HRS
5.	Evaluation of Technical Bid.	Evaluation of technical bid will be followed after verification of the documents.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Dharampur Division, HPPWD Dharampur
(on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh

DPR-HP-0384/2026-2027

Ganga Mai Ki Betiyan celebrates 200 episodes: Shubhangi Latkar, Sheizaan Khan Amandeep Sidhu and others express gratitude



CHANDIGARH: Zee TV's popular drama Ganga Mai Ki Betiyan produced by Ravi Dubey and Sargun Mehta under Dreamiyata Dramaa has reached an impressive milestone, completing 200 successful episodes. Since its premiere in September 2025, the show has captivated audiences with its emotionally rich storytelling, powerful performances, and strong portrayal of relationships rooted in tradition and resilience. The show has consistently featured in the top five TRP charts and has also recently emerged as the number one show on Zee TV. Featuring a stellar cast including Shubhangi Latkar (Ganga Mai), Sheizaan Khan (Siddhu), Amandeep Sidhu (Sneha), and Indira Krishna (Durgawati), the show has struck a deep chord with viewers. On completing 200 episodes, the actors expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the audience for their unwavering love and support, while also sharing their joy and emotions on achieving this remarkable milestone.

Sharing her thoughts, Shubhangi Latkar, who essays the role of Ganga Mai, shares, "Reaching 200 episodes feels truly special and fulfilling. The love we have received from viewers has been overwhelming, and I feel blessed to be a part of a story that resonates so deeply. Here's hoping we continue this beautiful journey and celebrate many more milestones together." Indira Krishna, who plays Durgawati, expresses, " It has truly been a grateful and fulfilling journey, with this character evolving and growing stronger each day. Reaching 200 episodes fills my heart with immense thankfulness for the audience who have connected with and embraced Durgavati so deeply. In today's time, sustaining a show is no small feat, and I feel overwhelmed that we've achieved this milestone with the strength, dedication, and efficiency of such a wonderful team at Dreamiyata. I am deeply grateful to Ravi and Sargun, along with the Zee TV team, for trusting me with this role. I promise to continue portraying Durgavati with the same passion and spirit."

Amandeep Sidhu, who portrays Sneha, shares, "Completing 200 episodes is a proud and emotional moment for me. The audience's love for the show as well as to my character has been our biggest strength, and it motivates us to give our best every single day. I am excited for what lies ahead and many more milestones to come."

COLORS' 'Laughter Chefs Unlimited Entertainment' cooks up a special birthday celebration for Harpal Singh Sokhi



CHANDIGARH: The one who sets the benchmark is finally made to meet it. On COLORS' 'Laughter Chefs Unlimited Entertainment', Chef Harpal Singh Sokhi walks into what he thinks is just another day on set, only to be caught off guard by a birthday surprise that quickly flips the script on him. With Krushna and Aly stepping in to take charge, the chef is no longer calling the shots, he's following them. What unfolds is a full-circle moment as Harpal is put through the very standards he sets, from crafting a perfectly kadak chai with that distinct elaichi note and balanced sweetness to getting every detail right in the knotty rolls.But what truly makes this birthday surprise special is how it takes Harpal right back to the basics of cooking. Stepping completely out of his comfort zone, he finds himself at a pottery wheel, shaping his own kullad from scratch, and then making chai on an iron, with no gas stove in sight. What follows is equal parts chaos and charm, as the kitchen turns into a playground, with everyone pulling his leg, teasing him nonstop, and thoroughly enjoying seeing the chef switch sides for a change. It all wraps up with a celebration that feels warm, fun, and totally well deserved.Chef Harpal Singh Sokhi shares, "This has to be one of my most memorable birthdays, because I got to celebrate it with my Laughter Chefs family. The way I have been pushing everyone to complete their challenge and get every detail right, this time they turned it on me. From sitting on the pottery wheel and shaping my own kullad to making chai on an iron, it really took me back to the basics of cooking, where it's all about instinct, patience, and heart. Everyone was pulling my leg, enjoying the situation, but there was so much affection in it. We've built a bond here that goes beyond the show, so celebrating my birthday in the middle of all this, with people who genuinely feel like family, made it incredibly special."Watch Nivea Soft & Realme Smartphones co-present 'Laughter Chefs Unlimited Entertainment' Co-Powered by Envy Perfumes, Catch Masale, Kissan Chutneys, Vinod Intelligent Cookware, and Pour Home, with Special Partners, India Gate Basmati rice, Kisna Jewels, and Seekho app airing every Saturday-Sunday at 9:00 pm only on COLORS.

Celebrate Akshaya Tritiya with 24k Digital Gold on PhonePe

CHANDIGARH: This Akshaya Triritya, PhonePe enables users to embrace the tradition of buying gold with its seamless, secure, and transparent Digital Gold offering. Users can purchase 99.99% purity-certified 24K Digital Gold on the PhonePe platform, from leading and trusted players in the digital gold space such as MMTC-PAMP, SafeGold and Caratlane. For added convenience, users can even choose to pay through multiple modes of payment such as UPI, UPI Lite, credit & debit cards, wallet and gift cards.Apart from one time purchase, PhonePe also empowers users to purchase Gold digitally via Daily or Monthly SIPs and helps customers save long term systematically. Customers also have the flexibility to save any amount (starting as low as Rs. 10) and sell their gold holdings anytime, with the money credited to their bank accounts. Millions of customers across India have bought high purity 24K gold on the PhonePe platform.

Dish TV Reinforces Value Proposition with Campaign Focused on Consistent, Hassle-Free Viewing

CHANDIGARH : Dish TV, one of India's leading content distribution company, has launched its latest advertising campaign built around the thought, 'Kuch chhota sa karne par, life hogi behtar.' Rooted in a simple, relatable insight, the campaign highlights how small, everyday decisions can meaningfully improve daily life especially when it comes to something as constant as television viewing.At the heart of the campaign lies a clear consumer reality: a large number of households continue to depend on free-to-air channels but also wants flexibility to access enhanced content, often leading to inconsistent and fragmented viewing experience. Dish TV positions itself as a reliable, branded alternative—offering a more seamless and dependable way to access television content. Through Dish TV, all existing and new users can access a wide selection of over 190+ channels, backed by a service experience designed to remain active and uninterrupted even in instances where recharge timelines are missed. This ensures a more reliable, flexible, and hassle-free viewing experience, removing the uncertainty often associated with conventional setups. The platform also enables a smooth transition to a more structured and dependable ecosystem, without adding complexity for users. Additionally, the Freedom Pack, starting at ₹99, offers the flexibility to access enhanced content during key moments such as cricket seasons, school holidays, or festive periods.The campaign, conceptualised by Enormous, comes alive through two master films and three short-format edits, all built around slice-of-life moments that are instantly relatable. Whether it's a husband going to great lengths to avoid disturbing his wife's sleep, or siblings negotiating over a window seat with a heartwarming compromise.



Amazon.in launches a dedicated AI Store for Consumer Electronics

CHANDIGARH : Amazon.in has launched an AI Store, a dedicated destination to help customers conveniently discover and shop for AI-powered consumer electronics. The AI store spans multiple product categories including laptops, smartphones, televisions, air conditioners, refrigerators, washing machines, tablets, smartwatches and smart glasses offering variety of products from top global and Indian brands."At Amazon.in, our role goes beyond just offering the widest selection. It's about helping customers navigate a rapidly evolving technology landscape with clarity, so they can make confident decisions without having to decode technical specifications. The AI Store does exactly that by bringing together an array of intelligent devices in one destination, with clear explanations of what each device's AI can do for you. Whether it's a student in Dibrugarh looking for a laptop that thinks ahead, a professional in Nagercoil upgrading to a smarter smartphone, or a family in Mumbai exploring televisions that adapt to how they watch,.

Priyanka Chopra revisits Miss World, motherhood memories in viral trend post



Actor Priyanka Chopra Jonas has hopped onto a latest viral trend, revisiting her fond memories of being crowned Miss World, writing a memoir, becoming a mother, and creating a beautiful family. Taking to her Instagram handle, Priyanka shared a carousel of pictures, treating fans with rare glimpses from her childhood days with her parents. She teamed them with a few recent ones, documenting her personal and professional lives."My life changed when I was crowned at 18!" PeeCee wrote alongside a picture from the Miss World days. She added a childhood snap of herself and added, "Miss World?? Me???"

In a priceless moment, 'The Bluff' star added a picture with her daughter and wrote, "I'm a mom to a spirited little human with the biggest heart and endless curiosity."With this, she attached an old picture with her father and continued, "I'm a mom? That too of an adorable daughter?" To wrap it up, Priyanka shared adorable pictures with her family, including one of her childhood days with her parents, late Dr Ashok Chopra and Dr Madhu Chopra; and another with her husband Nick Jonas and daughter Malti Marie Chopra Jonas. In her caption, she wrote, "kinda like this trend."Priyanka and Nick embraced parenthood in 2022. The duo are doting parents to daughter Malti Marie.Priyanka Chopra, who was last seen in 'The Bluff', is gearing up for her upcoming project 'Varanasi,' directed by S. S. Rajamouli, which is expected to release in 2027.

Prime Video Sets May 8 as the Worldwide Premiere Date for Lukkhe, a Gripping Musical Action Drama Jahaan Rap Aur Badla – Dono Loud Hai!

CHANDIGARH / LUDHIANA : Prime Video, India's most loved entertainment destination, today announced May 8 as the worldwide premiere date of its upcoming Prime Original series Lukkhe. Directed by Himank Gaur and produced by Vipul D. Shah and Rajesh Bahl under the banners of Optimystix Entertainment and White Guerrilla LLP, Lukkhe is an adrenaline-filled, fictional musical action drama set in the heart of Punjab. Created and executive produced by Agrim Joshi and Debojit Das Purkayastha, the eight-episode series is headlined by Raashii Khanna, and KING — acclaimed Indian rapper, songwriter, and singer making his acting debut— Lukkhe also stars Palak Tiwari (in her streaming debut), and Lakshvir Singh Saran, in lead roles, supported by Nakul Roshan Sahdev, Kritika Bharadwaj, Shivankit Parihar, Yograj Singh, and Ayesha Raza Mishra essaying pivotal roles. Lukkhe will premiere exclusively on Prime Video in Hindi, across India and over 240 countries and territories worldwide on May 8. Blending high-octane action, gunfights, and raw musical energy, Lukkhe is ultimately a coming-of-age story shaped by pain, love, and ambition—captured in its core thought: "Rap aur Badla, Dono Loud Hai." "At Prime Video, we believe in constantly raising the bar by experimenting with storytelling—whether it's blending genres, exploring new formats, or championing unconventional narratives," said Nikhil Madhok, Director & Head of Originals, Prime Video, India. "Lukkhe is a strong reflection of this vision, bringing together high-octane action with pulsating rap music, while seamlessly balancing pace with emotional intensity to create a truly distinctive world. "



Sony Entertainment Television welcomes Jaaved Jaaferias a judge on India's Best Dancer Season 5 – India Wala Dance

CHANDIGARH : Bringing together legacy, nostalgia, and unmatched dance expertise - Sony Entertainment Television welcomes Jaaved Jaaferi as a judge on India's Best Dancer Season 5, along with others. The theme for this season is India Wala Dance.

In the released promo, Jaaved Jaaferi shares his excitement about the upcoming season, stating, "Kabhi socha hain tees by tees ke stage par, kya ek sau chalis crore log naach saktehain? Bilkul naach sakte hain, kyunki jab India's Best Dancer pe hoga 'India Wala Dance', toh sara India naachega. Main aara hu India's Best Dancer leke, 9th May se har Shanivaar-Ravivaar, rat 9:00 baje, sirf Sony Entertainment Television and Sony LIV par."

Known for his effortless style, sharp insights, and infectious energy, Jaaved brings a distinctive blend of charisma and mentorship to the show. A pioneer of dance on Indian television who adds freshness and nostalgia with a perfect blend of Bollywood, which perfectly complements this season's theme - 'India Wala Dance'.

Get ready, as India's Best Dancer returns with a new season from 9th May, airing every Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 PM, only on Sony Entertainment Television and Sony LIV!



Dulquer Salmaan wraps up 'I'm Game'

Actor Dulquer Salmaan has concluded the shoot of his film 'I'm Game'. On Thursday, Dulquer took to Instagram and announced the film's wrap with a special video from the sets. "And it's a filming Wrap on #ImGame. A grand total of 156 days of hard work and effort. It has been the most demanding yet fulfilling experience. And what a team we are ! Across every department everyone's given their best and we've grown into a large family with one unified goal over the past 11 months. We can't wait to begin sharing all things I'm Game with all of you and finally the film this Onam in cinemas across the world," he captioned the post.



He also confirmed that the film is set for a global release during Onam, building anticipation among fans.The actor's last outing in the Malayalam film industry was with the film 'King of Kotha'. It was directed by Abhilash Joshiy in his directorial debut. It was released in 2023.Jointly produced by Wayfarer Films and Zee Studios, the film starred Dulquer Salmaan in the titular role, with an ensemble cast of Shabeer Kallarakkal, Prasanna, Gokul Suresh, Aishwarya Lekshmi, Nyla Usha, Shammi Thilakan, Chemban Vinod Jose, Sajitha Madathil, Shanthi Krishna, Saran Shakthi and Anikha Surendran.

Kangana Ranaut calls Nari Shakti Vandan Amendment Bill a "moment of celebration"



Lauding Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision, actor-turned-politician Kangana Ranaut termed the Nari Shakti Vandan Amendment Bill, 2026, as "historic". In a conversation with ANI, Ranaut spoke about the ongoing debate around the bill.BJP MP from Mandi constituency asserted that the measure is a crucial step towards correcting deep-rooted structural inequalities."The greatest time for women to be alive and we have to celebrate this," adding, "I am so thrilled to be alive and to be witnessing this that I think all the women all across, it's just such a big victory for all of us that in Himachal we have 68 MLAs and we have one woman MLA so how women have looked at."Ranaut continued, "Even today, if you open the newspaper and read someone has poisoned his daughter or even killed her, the mother, just because they are woman, somewhere down the line, they are always made to feel inferior. They are always made to feel they don't deserve to be alive."She also highlighted the current stark underrepresentation of women in legislative bodies."Merit can only emerge when equal opportunity is provided. If women are not even present in adequate numbers, how will merit be judged?" Lok Sabha MP added.Ranaut also underlined the social barriers that discourage women from entering public life, particularly in rural areas. She noted that women stepping out for public work have long faced stigma, questions about safety, mobility, and even marriage prospects. "These are realities that have limited their participation.""So, if you look at it that way, the women who have to leave the house, how difficult it is. I also remember when a lady from a village used to go to a rally, our mothers, our aunts used to circle around her saying, 'you went to a rally, you are very brave, how did you go, what happened there, kisi ne tumhe cheda to nahi ya tumhe dhakke to nahi lage' (did anyone tease you, or did you get pushed?)..It used to be a very strange thing for them. For all women, that woman used to be a different type of woman."So what do you think, that in this career, in the leadership career, said Ranaut while questioning, "Do women have fair participation?

"Women do not have fair participation," she stressed. Ranaut said women have faced societal stereotypes since the beginning when considering a move into politics."When you were in school or college, or I was there, did we ever think that I should become a politician? We never thought, because maybe we were never allowed to think that way. Ye bhaga daudi ka kaam aur raat ko kahi rehna pade jana pade aur aesi ladki jo prachar kare uske saath shaadi kaun karega (Who will marry a girl, who has to run here and there for political campaigns)." Addressing the argument that more women in decision-making roles would automatically lead to better outcomes for women, she urged a broader perspective. "When you see a woman, you should see her as a leader."However, she maintained that greater representation would help bring diverse lived experiences into policymaking. "Policies must reflect societal changes, and women's participation will ensure that happens."She emphasised that this approach is not new for Prime Minister Narendra Modi, noting that even during his tenure in Gujarat, he consistently advocated against female foeticide and worked to raise awareness on the issue.

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